You Built This House

This is the House that unionism built.

This is the visible evidence in Toledo that tens of thousands of union workers know what it means to stick together.

This is the headquarters of Local 12, UAW-CIO.

In the days before Local 12 was strong enough to buy this building and convert it to union purposes, a man worked for 50 cents an hour, when he could get work. He worked as many hours as the foreman told him to. And if he had to work Sunday (and maybe get laid off Monday) he still got 50 cents an hour, unless the boss suddenly cut his pay.

In the days before this building became the home of Local 12, paid vacations were unheard of. Holidays with pay were for the executives. Grievance machinery was very simple. If you had a grievance you kept your mouth shut, or took it out on your wife.

Unity, solidarity, sticking together and fighting FOR each other built this powerful union.

A house, if it is to be torn down, must be torn down from the outside.

A union can be destroyed only from within.

Only the union members themselves can throw the men and women who work for wages in Toledo back to the old days of the open shop, the pay cuts, the stretch-out, the fear and the uncertainty.

The best way to begin the destruction of a union from within is by following the advice of the union's enemies — the union-hating employers and the union-baiting press.

Those who take their counsel from the Blade, those who follow the leadership of the malcontents, troublemakers and those on the ideological fringes will add nothing to their contracts, nothing to their security on the job, nothing to their union solidarity.

Veteran, cool-headed union men and women have not been thrown into a panic by the Blade's persistent charges that "something must be wrong" because Paul Block Junior wishes something were wrong. They are standing firm behind their own elected leadership.

That's how they built this house.

That's how they will defend it now.

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Blade's Anti-Gosser Campaign Given Lift By Randolph Gray

"Fringe" Elements, Union Foes Rejoice

Bleating plaintively of his confusion and his fears, Randolph Gray, financial secretary of Local 12, rushed into the eager arms of Attorney Hal P. Ells this week, prepared to Tell All.

He spread upon the deposition hearing, under oath, the startling-revelation that he didn't know the answers to most of the questions asked him about his own job as financial secretary, but that he'd heard quite a few rumors about Richard T. Gosser, UAW-CIO Vice President, many of which he couldn't remember very well.

Whipped into a frenzy by this startling exposure, Richard L. Lazette, president of the TIUC, promptly sent a telegram to President Walter Reuther of the UAW-CIO, threatening to charge him with negligence before the CIO executive board unless Reuther hopped right along to Toledo to do some investigating.

On the heels of this comic order came a statement signed by seventeen shop unit officers (with many other officers refusing) in four plants, plus the busy Mr. Richard Lazette, going on record as supporting Gray's testimony, accusing the local 12 officers of being a dishonest and unscrupulous clique that has been been fleecing the membership, and prating of a democracy which their statement violated in all of its paragraphs.

And so the anti-union battle was out in the open, the chips were down, and neutrality out the window.

The "facts" upon which this furore has been based are unsupported statements by admitted opponents of Gosser.

Because of the importance in the uproar that will follow in the days to come, the Toledo Union Journal is printing complete questions and answers from the record on pages 4 and 5.

There, the union membership may read precisely what sort of questions were asked, and what sort of answers were given.

And those who discover that the questions were outrageous deviations from any established rule of relevancy, and that the answers were ludicrous examples of ineptitude, bewilderment and emotionalism will wonder why such drivel has been dignified in the minds of anyone as serious charges.

The recent developments got their public launching when Gray asked for police protection. He had obtained personal counsel.

Gray declared that Gosser had threatened to have his ribs kicked in.

This grisly announcement was made by a man who told a group of union officers and representatives that his doctor had told him he was losing his mind.

He had but recently been on leave for two months as the result of what he called a "nervous breakdown," a neurotic condition which he insisted had not yet cleared up.

No one, at this point, doubted him for a minute.

The taking of Gray's deposition was highlighted by the demand of Dudley Smith, an associate of Ells, that Goerlich leave the hearing room.

Mr. Goerlich did not leave.

Then followed a long series of questions by Ells. Ells is the attorney Paul Block, Junior announced he had "found" for John A. Bolman when Block diverted $5,000 of the Blade's money to the financing of Bolman's suit against the AWBC.

With a reporter from the Blade busily taking notes of such exchanges as appealed to his sense of news, the questions and Gray's incredible answers began to build a record.

It was a record loaded with hearsay, apparent irrelevancies, rumors and vague allusions — but the meat of it made Page One of the Blade two days in succession.

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Skilled Trades To Meet June 8

The regular meeting of the northwestern Ohio Skilled Trades Council is changed to Tuesday, June 8, it was announced by Frank Johnson, president of the Council.

He said the change was made to enable an International Skilled Trades representative to be present to talk on the new clauses in the International Constitution concerning the skilled trades groups in the UAW-CIO organization.

The various clauses that should be incorporated in the new contracts will be on the agenda.

Mr. Johnson said all Unit chairmen and the skilled group from the UAW-CIO plants are invited to attend. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m., he added.

No Editorials

There is no editorial page in the Journal this week. None is needed. Practically the entire paper is an editorial.

We make no pretense of objectivity. We have been slugged, and we don't like it. In this edition, we're slugging back.

WTOD WTOL

7:10 p.m. Monday

You've Read the Headlines

now

HEAR THE FACTS!

RICHARD T. GOSSER

Testifies in Person to Toledo

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Sweeping Revolt Totals 32 People

The Blade told you this week that there was a sweeping revolt in Local 12.

If anyone kept his clean hands on that smudgy sheet long enough to read the story on which the black headlines were based, he must have wondered if the men who write the headlines are permitted to read the stories.

The revolution has an army of 22 men, and an auxilliary of 12 women.

Twenty-one of these 22 men are shop officers in six shops. Every one of them has been anti-Gosser, anti-administration, and anti-cooperation with UAW-CIO for some time.

The twenty second man who has revolted is Dick Lazette of the TIUC.

The women's auxilliary is a group of twelve girls from the dues office who left their jobs in protest, the Blade says, against the "domination" of Gosser.

Presumably they won't come back until Dick Gosser promises not to dominate them any more, which puts them in the position of being on a sort of permanent rebellion. Whatever it is Gosser dominated them about (which includes trying to force a refrigerator on them in spite of the resistance of their boss, Randy Gray) he is unlikely to repent because they sabotaged the dues collection.

Cook Wanted!

A Cook wanted for the Local 12 Summer Camp. Applications are available in room 203 at Local 12, UAW-CIO 425 Winthrop St.

Applicants are assured of good wages, working conditions complete with room and board.

High Gear

At one point in the welter of published rumors and charges, the Toledo Blade told the absolute truth.

It said, on Thursday:

"The anti-Gosser movement moved into high gear Tuesday when 12 women employes of the Local 12 dues collection office went on strike, protesting, they said, against the "domination of Richard T. Gosser',"

The walkout of 12 girls under Randolph Gray was precisely that, an anti-Gosser movement.

Reuther Ignores Lazette Command

Richard L. Lazette told Walter Reuther where to get off Wednesday.

This was viewed by most as the funniest thing to happen in a situation not otherwise noted for much comic relief.

When the incredible Randolph Gray testimony was printed in the Blade, Lazette rushed a telegram to Reuther into the hands of Mr. Block's newspapers.

It said:

"I request your presence here at once to try to straighten out this mess. If you don't come I shall prefer charges against you through the National CIO Executive Board for negligence and allowing the labor movement in Toledo to be destroyed. They have chosen up sides and this can lead to only one thing — bloodshed and the destruction of the labor movement in the city of Toledo. Please wire me immediately."

This telegram was never shown to the TIUC executive secretary Howard Rediger, a circumstance probably unparalled in the labor movement. Unilateral action, and voluntary publication in a hostile press, by an industrial union council president is one for the books.

The books will not show, however, that Walter Reuther, faced with Mr. Lazette's threat, dropped his other activities and obeyed.

Gosser Hits Back On Radio Series

Richard T. Gosser is sick of taking it, and is going to start dishing it out.

Beginning Monday at 7:10 p.m. over both WTOD and WTOL, and continuing daily thereafter, Monday through Friday, Gosser himself will tell the Toledo public and his membership what the facts behind some of the charges against him really are.

Like any other man with a sense of self-respect, he has objected to being hauled into a fishing expedition on the demand of a malcontent and subjected to questions not controlled by a judge, by the rules of evidence, or by any noticeable restraint or delicacy.

But the situation has reached the point where Gosser himself is no longer the target. Those who have been smearing the international UAW-CIO vice president are clearly attacking the union.

Although Gosser was willing to suffer the annoyance of a personal smear campaign, he refuses to remain silent and patient when the union into which he has put his life is visibly threatened.

He will give the facts on the air. The Toledo Union Journal will print them, too.

The Blade may.

The probabilities are, however, that the Blade will "paraphrase" Gosser's statements. Union men will want to hear the full facts, and to read them, also in full, in their own newspaper.

Notice Special Meeting

A special meeting is being called for Trustees of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation and for the Board of Governors of the Local 12 UAW-CIO Summer Camp.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 1950 in Parlor A at Local 12, UAW-CIO, 425 Winthrop St.

Mazey Committee Release

We are here in Toledo to continue our investigation growing out of lawsuits against Local 12 and its building corporation.

This meeting was scheduled some time ago.

We met with Charles H. Ballard, regional director, and Howard Seren, local president.

We also met with Randolph Gray, financial secretary of the local.

During the course of our meeting, we also discussed the walkout of the office workers of Local 12. We were unable to arrange a meeting with the girls today. We are sending a telegram to the girls to meet with us at 1 o'clock tomorrow morning.

We will be here all day tomorrow and will be available to anyone who feels he can throw light on the local situation.

We hope to be able, within the near future to make a complete report of our findings on matters pertaining to the lawsuits against the local to the International Executive Board of the UAW-CIO.

(Signed) EMIL MAZEY
Secretary-Treasurer
UAW-CIO

(Signed) EDWARD COTE,
Regional Director,
Region 1-A, UAW-CIO

Clerks Walk Out On Vague Pretext

Twelve of the office clerks in the dues office of Local 12 walked off their jobs Tuesday in what they called a protest against intolerable working conditions, and in what they called sympathy with Randolph Gray.

This may eventually be recorded as the wierdest action in the entire anti-Gosser campaign.

For it was Randolph Gray who created and maintained the so-called intolerable conditions.

For example: one of the reasons for walking out of the dues office, the girls said, was that a refrigerator had not been put in for their use. The officers had long ago instructed Gray to put one in. Gray consistently failed to do so. In support of this man who refused to give them a refrigerator, and in protest over the lack of a refrigerator he failed to put in, the girls quit.

For another example: Gray installed some Remington-Rand machines. He did this over the protest of the other union officers, who opposed doing business with a manufacturer with a bad labor record, and opposed Gray's theory of replacing four girls with automatic office equipment.

Gray sold this notion to the membership, however, and the costly machines went in.

The girls detested the machines, and fought their installation. The machines broke down. Work piled up. Confusion took over. A mess was created.

On the basis of the mess, the officers took most of the offensive machines out, and stored others. But the mess was still there. Thereupon the officers proposed that two international representatives survey the dues office to find out if more help was needed. This offer was made in spite of the fact that Gray had more girls in the dues office, at that point, than before he began his program of putting in machines and laying off workers.

Gray refused to let the survey be made, and created the impression that what was planned was a time study, a speed-up.

So the girls, including those Gray intended to discharge when he put in the machines over the protest of the officers, walked off the job in support of this same Randolph Gray, and in protest against the survey which would have resulted in as much more assistance as they needed.

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Bulletin Board

MATHER MEMBERS

A meeting of all Mather Unit members will be held Wednesday morning in Parlor A at Local 12.

Remember the meeting will begin at 10 a. m. every Wednesday until further notice.

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STRIKE FINANCE

There will be a meeting of the Finance Committee in charge of Mather Strike and Publicity Fund every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Local 12 Board Room, second floor.

Attend these meetings and report back to your own unit meetings on how the donations of yourself and your fellow workers are being used to a good advantage.

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UNIT OFFICERS

Remember the meeting every Wednesday evening at Local 12, UAW-CIO Hall, 425 Winthrop Street.

The meeting is for all Unit officers, stewards and Local 12 officers and others who may be interested to learn of the progress of contract negotiations in the various shops.

The meeting begins at 8 p. m. in Parlor A at the Local.

How The Blade Conducts A Smear

The group which signed its name to rotten statement and rushed it down to the Toledo Blade is an anti-union group.

No one except an anti-union group could have given so much help to a newspaper publicily committed to a division of Local 12 and the smearing of its leadership.

If there lives a single person in Toledo who doubts the viciousness of the Blade, where the Local 12 leadership, and Richard Gosser are concerned, the editorial appearing on Page One of the Blade Thursday is the clincher.

The editorial said:

"What may have come as a surprise, though, to those who don't know that Toledo's most powerful labor leader has a woeful reputation as an employer was the way Mr. Gosser set about to handle a strike in Local 12's own office.

"Did he bargain with the 12 women employes who walked out to protest their working conditions and his "domination"? Did he try to adjust their grievances? Did he submit the dispute to mediation or arbitration? Heck no, even the Taft-Hartley Act is too good for Mr. Gosser's own employees. When they walk out on him, they've just quit; and scabs can walk right in."

This entire quotation from the Blade editorial is a lie.

Let's take it one at a time:

1—Did he bargain with them? Heck, no, says the Blade. Hell, yes, he bargained with them. They wanted a refrigerator. Gosser told Randy Gray to get it for them. Gray did not. No one knows why. But Gosser DID agree with them; Gray DID NOT, and the girls walked out.

2—Did he try to adjust their grievances? Heck, no, says the Blade. Hell, yes, he tried to adjust their grievance. He tried to adjust their grievance inspite of the fact that their own UNION contract requires them to bargain first with Gray, and if that fails, with a committee of the Local Executive Board.

3—Did he submit the dispute to mediation or arbitration? What dispute? The one about the refrigerator? He SETTLED that dispute. There was no other dispute until the girls walked out, except the Local's dispute with the girls about getting some financial reports FOR the membership. The GIRLS won that dispute. They flatly refused to get up the figures at any time this year.

4—SINCE they walked out (while Gosser was out of town) they haven't met with, or agreed to meet with, or made any effort to meet with any official grievance group at Local 12. How do you settle, adjust, mediate or arbitrate that?

5—As for the girls who took over the dues function at Local 12 when the clerks walked off the job—these solid union gals won't be pleased to be called scabs by the Toledo Blade.

While Plaskon was on strike, while Chrysler was out, while Mather is out, while the railroad firemen were out, the Blade was able to conceal its sympathy for these poor workers.

But when twelve girls, two of them non-members hired by Gray, walked out with the admitted intention of embarrassing their international vice president who had worked hard to adjust their gripes, the Blade begins to suffer all over page one for "strikers."

Next, the Blade said, "Mr. Gosser . . . blustered that he had not been officially charged with wrong-doing. He didn't say that if he were he might want somebody else's ribs kicked in, too."

Somebody "else"?

"Too?"

The Blade here hands down a verdict. Randy Gray told someone Gosser threatened to have his ribs kicked in. Gosser didn't say anything remotely resembling this. It simply isn't true.

But the Blade makes it true in its editorial by assuming it, and thus by giving it the full weight of a trial and conviction. No one has threatened Randy Gray with violence; it is understandable that, knowing what he intended to do to his union he would have some misgivings. But Gray's ribs are safe, unless the Blade decides to kick them in editorially.

The Blade declares, "First there was the testimony of Randolph Gray, financial secretary of Local 12, about the way in which Richard Gosser, an International Vice President of the UAW-CIO, dictator of Local 12, and owner of the Colonial Hardware Store, controlled the union's finances and may have profited from its slot machines and certainly from its heavy purchases at his store."

Gray said nothing of the kind — and most of his testimony during the day when all this baloney was discussed most intensively is on Pages 4 and 5 of this edition of the Journal so you can see for yourself what he **DID** say.

He said he BELIEVED Gosser controlled Local 12's finances. But his own testimony shows that Gosser didn't have enough control to get regular financial reports out of Gray himself. The Journal admits, publicly, that Gosser TRIED to get these reports from the membership — but dictators don't try patiently for months to persuade an official to do his duty. Gosser tried patiently.

Furthermore, Gray did not say Gosser may have profited from clot machines. He said, as a matter of fact, that he didn't know, couldn't know, and was quite miffed because all he could find out was rumors. The Blade, however, prints rumors.

Gray did not say that Gosser "certainly profited" from the Local's heavy purchases at the Colonial Hardware store.

He said heavy purchases were made there he said he did not know how heavy, or how light, or in what amounts. He said nothing whatever about **PROFITS**, and does not know whether Gosser sold merchandise at a profit, a loss, or at the break-even point.

The auditors know about these alleged "heavy profits," and what they know would knock Block's beret off. But the Blade doesn't know, and Gray didn't say. He couldn't.

The Blade does state, for all the city to read, that "Mr. Gray didn't make any specific accusations."

The Blade this time tells the truth. Mr. Gray did not make accusations, but the Blade, in reporting his testimony, and commenting on it editorially, did.

An example of the Blade's tactics can be found in another part of the editorial.

The Blade says "Mr. Gray couldn't say whether the store has done $100,000 worth of business with the union since the summer camp and farms were purchased, but he did recall once talking to Mr. Gosser about the fact (fact?) that $36,000 had been paid to the Colonial Hardware store when there were no itemized bills.

And what are the FACTS?

The facts are that this $100,000 is a number tossed onto the record by Attorney Ells. He asked it. Gray admitted he did not know and had no way of knowing and wouldn't try to guess. Among intelligent people, that would dispose of that $100,000 figure. But the Blade has used it twice.

Furthermore, if you look at that part about Gray recalling that he once "talked" to Gosser about the "fact" that $36,000 had been paid to the store without itemized bills, you'll see the gimmick in it.

The "talk" might have been Gosser saying to Gray, "What in seven kinds of hell did you do THAT for?" Mr. Gray does not say. But the Blade leaves the impression—and obviously INTENDS to leave the impression that something crooked has taken place.

Gray didn't say so. He said he didn't know.

And there you have it — all summed up in one editorial.

The Blade is after the highest level UAW-CIO officer in the city; and if it gets him, it will have hurt the union and divided the local.

It's after him, and is employing what we consider dirty journalism to get him. It is printing hearsay, rumor, insinuation and bare and unanswered QUESTIONS in such a way as to leave the impression that they are facts—proved and supported by legal evidence as facts.

Every newspaper in the business knows that this is not clean newspaper tactics. And every newspaperman in the business who could follow the Blade's tactics since the time Gosser—on the LMC—was one of those rendering a decision not to Paul Block Junior's liking, would hold such tactics in contempt.

And into this contemptible Blade-inspired stench rushes a group of anti-Gosser union members to splash across the pages of a hostile press that a "clique" at the top of Local 12 is "dishonest and unscrupulous" and is "fleecing" the members.

Everyone knows that these leaders didn't fleece the members.

They—with Gosser—got them pay increases and benefits so darned good that they are about the highest in the nation.

And THAT is what this whole campaign is about.

Don't forget it.

The Blade, and its supporters, are TRYING TO SMASH YOUR UNION.

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Thanks, Paul, We Can Use It

Below is a big ad sent to the Toledo Union Journal by the Toledo Blade.

We are printing it. We'll get more than $170 of Paul Block's dough out of it—and we intend to use that amount, and more, convincing all who will listen to us that the Blade has done a foul and unwholesome job of smearing Dick Gosser and the Local 12 union.

We do not endorse the contents of the Blade's advertisemnt.

Some of it may be true, and some of it may be a matter of opinion.

But we wouldn't want anyone to run off with the notion that the Blade's pension plan is anything we'd negotiate for our own membership.

No one at the Blade who receives less than $60 a week gets a pension; and there are enough gimmicks in it, if our information is correct, to drive a hearse through. A hearse with You-Know-Who sleeping peacefully inside.

The Blade has been carrying UAW-CIO advertising right along now, for several weeks on a regular basis. There'll be another full page ad on Sunday.

It has been taking our advertisements, and our money, and reserving the right to kick the stuffing out of us in the editorial columns and in the news pages as well.

It reserves the right not to like this union or most of its elected officers.

That's fine.

We don't like the Blade, either—and if anyone has any doubt about it, this edition of the Toledo Union Journal will set him straight.

But we will refuse no Blade advertising unless it tries to use our columns to interfere with our affairs. Then we'll dump the ad.

Meanwhile, nothing could give us more satisfaction than to use the Blade's $170.00 to start a bonfire under the outfit that openly appropriated $5,000 to finance Bolman's suit, and may have been spending more.

What makes a good place to work?

Good pay and good working conditions?
Opportunity for promotion and advancement?
Job security plus an adequate, dependable pension plan?
Steady year-round employment?
Sufficient accident and death benefits?

The Toledo Blade offers all these. That's why we feel a Blade job is a good job.

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Blade and Times workers earn and get good wages 52 weeks a year

Blade workers are good workers. Capable and competent—holding important jobs—many of them choose to make their jobs with The Blade their lifetime work. Working conditions must be pleasant because today 207 of The Blade company's 793 employees have been with the organization for more than 20 years; 308 have been here for 10 years or more.

But then it is the aim of The Blade to treat its employees well—and to pay them well. Since 1941 although the cost of living has gone up only 67%, Blade wage scales have increased 114%. What's more, Blade wages compare very favorably with those paid by other firms in Toledo for similar skill and experience. They compare just as favorably with the wages paid by other newspapers in cities of a size comparable with ours.

For example, reporters and advertising salesmen are paid a minimum of $94.00 weekly; most of them are making more than that. In the mechanical crafts, wages range from $83.00 to $104.50 for a five-day week.

Employees work either 37½ or 40 hours a week. For all time worked in excess of regular hours they receive time-and-a-half pay. In certain cases double time is paid.

Blade men and women receive regular increases in wages until they reach their top rates. In a great many cases merit increases are then added to the top scales.

What are the chances for promotion?

Every Blade employee has a chance to win a better job and a bigger pay check.

Certainly that is how most of the top Blade men got where they are now.

Grove Patterson, editor-in-chief and president of The Blade company, started on The Blade's news desk in 1910. Several years later he became managing editor, and in turn editor and editor-in-chief.

Florance Cottrell, chairman of the board of The Blade company, began as an office boy in 1892 and has been associated with the company ever since.

Paul A. Schrader, The Blade's managing editor, started as a reporter on the Toledo Times in 1923.

Circulation Director Ray Kest was a Blade newsboy and later manager of street sales. He started with The Blade in 1916.

Fred Jarvie, retail advertising manager; Hardy Aldridge, national advertising manager; Rollin E. Gray, classified advertising manager; and Charles J. Tefft, retail advertising manager of The Times, all began their newspaper careers as advertising salesmen on one of the Toledo newspapers.

Advertising mechanical superintendent Fred Winch began in The Blade press room 40 years ago.

Adrian Kaiser, superintendent of the composing room, started with The Blade as an apprentice printer 31 years ago.

There are a great many others, too. The chief auditor started as a bookkeeper; the city editor as a reporter; and practically every foreman or supervisor in the mechanical departments has risen from journeyman ranks, with most of them having served their original apprenticeship here. And so it goes.

They all came up The Blade way.

What about security? Does The Blade have a pension plan?

As a large part of The Blade organization has been with it for 20 years or more, there must be job security. But what's ahead for these men and women when they retire?

Blade company workers enjoy a dependable, substantial funded pension plan instituted by the company in 1945.

The cost of this retirement plan, which begins where Federal Social Security leaves off, averages three or four times as much for the company as the cost to the employees.

Pensions depend upon pay and years of service. Over 95% of all eligible employees have become participants in the plan. They must approve of it.

Is a Blade job a steady job?

A man or woman working for The Blade company can depend upon being employed 52 weeks out of the years, with the exception, of course, of the two or in most cases three weeks of vacation that all employees receive with pay.

What death and accidents benefits are paid?

A Blade worker's family has protection even in the event of death.

The Blade's group life insurance plan covers all employees regardless of physical condition and is paid for entirely by the company.

The company provides all employees with from $1,000 to $12,000 in life insurance protection, depending upon earnings. All 793 Blade employees are covered and the total life insurance in force is $2,250,000. Payments to beneficiaries during the last six months amounted to $14,000.

Employees paid on an hourly basis are covered by a disability plan that is also entirely paid for by the company. Last year over $15,000 was paid to those employees who were off sick or injured during the 12 months. These disability payments never amount to less than half-pay. For salaried employees, Blade policy as far as sick leave is concerned has in practically all cases been to cover an employee at full salary.

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That's why we say again that The Blade is a good place to work.
For here is advancement, good pay and steady work 52 weeks a year . . .
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THE TOLEDO BLADE

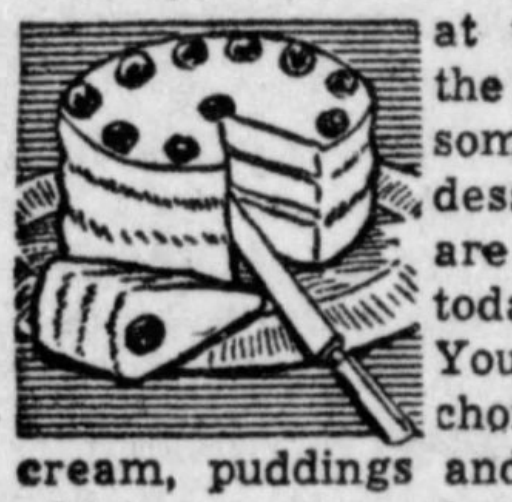
HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers

Mint Flavors These Chocolate Ice Cream Puffs

(See Recipes Below)

Dessert Contrasts

IF YOUR MAIN DISHES for the season are of the lighter variety, then your dessert patterns should be just a shade richer than usual to give the menu variety, balance and contrast.



To avoid loss of interest in food entirely, which is so apt to come at this season of the year, select some interesting desserts such as are featured in today's column. You have your choice of ice cream, puddings and cakes, all of which are unusual and good, too!

There's always audible approval from youngsters and grownups alike when cream puffs are served. And cream puff shells made especially tempting with a filling of ice cream are a dessert that really goes places. The cream puff shells are flavored with chocolate and filled with cool mint ice cream.

Chocolate Mint Ice Cream Puffs
(Serves 6)

- ¼ cup butter
- ½ cup boiling water
- ½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon cocoa
- 2 eggs, unbeaten
- 1 quart mint ice cream
- Hot fudge sauce

Add butter to boiling water; heat until butter melts. Sift together flour, salt, sugar and cocoa; add to butter mixture, all at once, stirring thoroughly. Cook, stirring, until mixture leaves sides of pan. Remove and cool a minute. Add unbeaten eggs, one at a time, beating until smooth after each addition. Drop by heaping tablespoonfuls on greased baking sheet, two inches apart, shaping with wet spoon into rounds. Bake in hot oven (450°) 10 minutes. Reduce heat (350°) and bake 25 minutes longer, until lightly browned. Cool and cut off tops. Fill with peppermint ice cream and top with hot fudge sauce.

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ORANGE DESSERT CAKE needs no frosting, since the orange juice and sugar make a wonderful glaze for the top of the cake.

***Orange Dessert Cake**

- 1 orange, medium size
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup raisins
- ½ cup shortening
- 2 eggs, beaten slightly
- 2 cups sifted flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon soda dissolved in milk
- 1 cup evaporated milk mixed with
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU
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Cut the orange and squeeze out 2 tablespoons of the juice. Add to this juice ¼ cup of the sugar and reserve for glazing the cake. Cut out and discard the central core and the seeds of the orange. Grind the orange with the raisins, using the medium blade of the food chopper. Cream shortening and sugar together. Add the beaten eggs. Sift flour with salt. Add alternately to the egg mixture with the milk, beginning and ending with flour. Stir in the orange and raisin mixture quickly. Pour into a greased 8x8x2 pan and bake in a moderate oven (375°) about 45 minutes. After baking and while still hot, cover with the two tablespoons orange juice and sugar mixture and let stand in pan until juice is absorbed. Do not dissolve sugar entirely, as it should glaze the top of the cake.

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BUTTERSCOTCH pecan cake-pudding is a dessert that offers a surprise. Although this luscious pudding begins with batter in the bottom and pudding mixture on the top, it doesn't end that way. During the baking, the batter rises to the top, a wonderful tender cake, with the luscious butterscotch pudding on the bottom. There's a generous share of crisp pecans all through the pudding for flavor and texture interest.

Butterscotch Pecan Cake-Pudding
(Serves 6—8)

Batter:

- ¼ cup shortening
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup sifted flour
- 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ⅓ cup evaporated milk
- ⅓ cup pecans

Blend shortening and sugar. Add beaten egg yolks and vanilla. Gently fold in the beaten whites. Sift flour with baking powder and salt. Add dry ingredients to egg mixture alternately with the milk. Stir in the pecans and turn batter into a greased 1½ quart casserole.

Pudding:

- 1½ cups brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup evaporated milk
- ½ cup grapefruit juice

Blend sugar and flour. Stir in the milk and grapefruit juice. Mix well and pour gently over batter. Bake in a moderate oven (350°) for one hour. Serve warm.

Burnt Sugar Cake
(Makes 3 9-inch layers)

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup boiling water
- 3 cups sifted cake flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup shortening
- 4 eggs, separated
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Place one cup of the sugar in a skillet and heat, stirring constantly until sugar melts and becomes brown; remove from heat, add boiling water and stir until sugar is entirely dissolved. Cool. Sift flour, baking powder and salt together. Cream shortening with remaining sugar until fluffy. Add unbeaten egg yolks, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each is added. Add vanilla. Add sifted dry ingredients and caramel sirup alternately in small amounts, beating thoroughly after each addition. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour into greased pans and bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 to 35 minutes.

LYNN SAYS:
Fortify Leftover Foods With Extra Flavor

Slices of cold roast veal make an excellent sandwich when treated with a spread of anchovy paste and butter and fresh rye bread slices.

Extend that bit of grape juice in the refrigerator by mixing with cranberry juice. Serve chilled for an appetizer.

Serve that last bit of cauliflower with a tangy cheese sauce and shower with toasted, salted almonds for a genuine flavor treat.

Roast beef hash takes on improvement when it's served with a smooth, tart hollandaise sauce. You can skip the poached eggs since there's so much egg yolk in the sauce.

On the second or third night that you serve spaghetti sauce, try it with slivers of ham, sauteed mushrooms and a sprinkling of sweet basil.

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1:45—Wm. Tusher—Hollywood		Young Americans Look At Books
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4:00—Musical Answer Man	Daily Almanac	Jerry Snider Show
4:30—Music We Love	United Nations Report	Studio Showcase
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5:15—Here's To Veterans	Melody Roundup	Salute To Reservists
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7:00—Teen Tempo	Music You Want	It's Your Life
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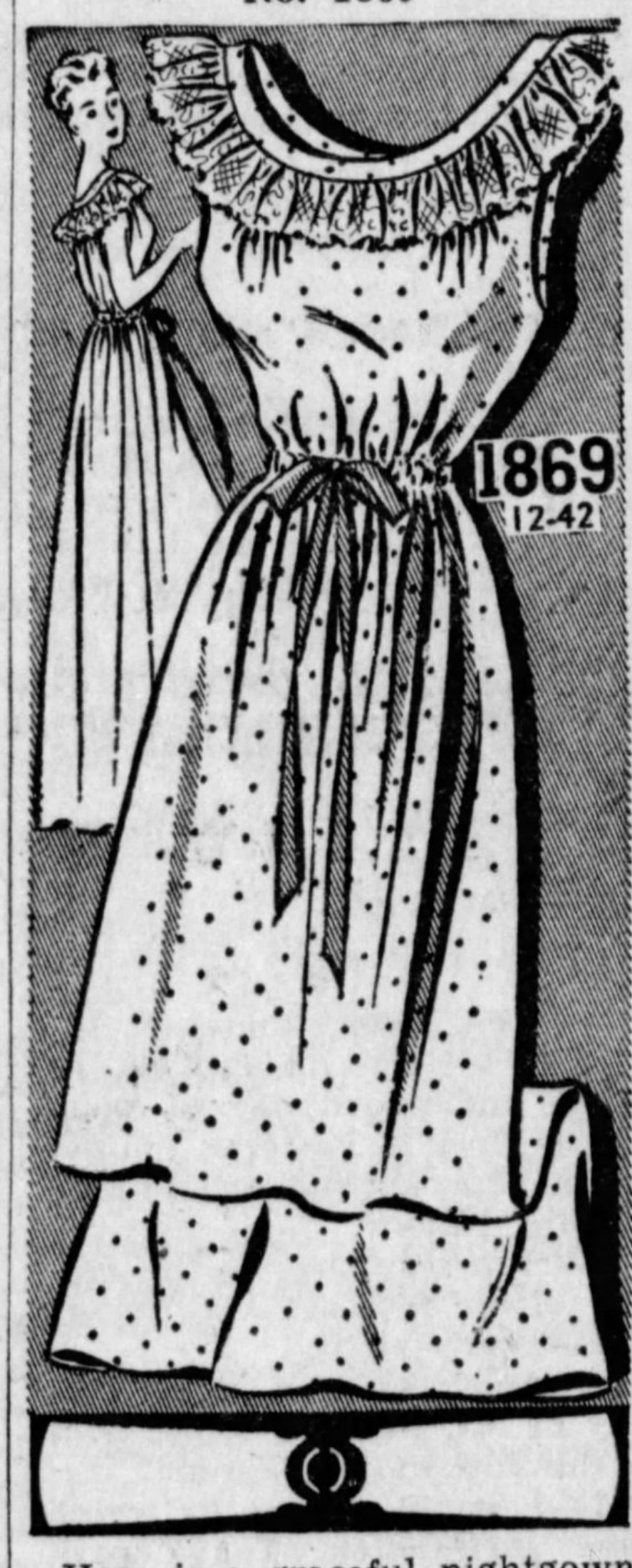

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Women's News And Views

By ODESSA OVERY
Sec'y Women's Bureau, Region 2-B, UAW-CIO

LAST SUNDAY being Mother's Day, I just can't help thinking of all the mothers that were forgotten on that day I know there are many that were forgotten. Thinking of Mother's Day I must tell you of the wonderful surprise I had. First of all it is a very hard thing for a boy in his teens to express himself, at least I think it is. It isn't too bad for them to go to the store and buy a box of candy. But I got the surprise of my life when I received a letter from my son. It is a letter that I will cherish all of my natural life. Because I cherish this letter so much I would like you to share in my happiness. This letter was sent to me by my 17-year-old son, and I will quote:

"Dear Mom, Seeing that this is national family appreciation week, I thought that I would write you a letter showing my gratitude for all the things you have done for me. Especially since it is only a few days from Mother's Day. I know that more then once you have helped me when I was in trouble. Without your kind and gentle help I would never have come through. I know a greeting card wouldn't express enough of my love and gratitude to you." Your son Jim. Wasn't that a wonderful letter to receive from a son? I think so. Well so much for that.

The Women's Committee will hold a penny supper next Thursday evening, May 25, at 6:30 P.M. So those that have made reservations don't forget to come. We will have the raffle and the prizes will be awarded. Entertainment is scheduled for the evening. I know that we will all have a good time.

The Women's Choral group is progressing very nicely, and we are expecting to do quite a bit of entertainment in the near future. We have some engagments already scheduled, and I know that they will be a great success, with Mr. Broderick as our director and Miss Fulton as our pianist. They are both very efficient in that type of work, so there is no need for us not being a success.

The Feminine Touch

DAD TRAVEL GUIDE

HOLLYWOOD — When Errol Flynn's two daughters, Dierdre and Rory, go world sightseeing, they will not need a guide, thanks to the letters and postcards mailed them from Europe, Africa and Asia by their famous father.

Flynn, now in India for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Technicolor "Kim," has written his daughters at least once a week, in addition to mailing them pictorial views of London, Paris, Cairo, Bombay and New Delhi.

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CYD CHARISSE DECORATES

HOLLYWOOD — The buffet table at Cyd Charisse's recent party had a modern centerpiece to harmonize with her modern decor.

Miss Charisse, who will soon be seen in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "East Side, West Side," used three pineapples in which she inserted three tall white tapers. Then she gilded the pineapples with gold paint and set them in a bed of English ivy from her garden.

The result, while exceedingly festive, is very modern and very smart.

Heads UAW-Ford Retirement Board

DETROIT (LPA) — Ronald W. Haughton has been appointed impartial chairman of the United Auto Workers-Ford joint retirement board of administration. Assistant director of industrial relations at the University of California, Haughton served with the War Labor Board, in the US Conciliation Service, and has had much experience in arbitration of labor disputes.

Roughs It Private Eye

Dick (Private Eye) Powell, guesting on Coca-Cola's Edgar Bergen-Charlie McCarthy Show Sunday evening (May 21), helps Edgar and Charlie "rough it" on a camping trip which only serves to prove that they are really city boys at heart. The program will be heard at 8 P.M. EDT, over CBS station WJR.

Both Bergen, who is tired of the hurly-burly of city life, and Powell, who needs to rest his Private Eye, declaim loudly on their prowess as woodsmen and campers — but before setting out, they hook onto their car a trailer equipped with every modern convenience from electric blankets to a deep-freeze.

No sooner have they made camp for the night than Bergen and Powell are thrown into panic by a strange sound in the woods. Bergen is sure it's a wild coyote, and Powell is equally certain it's a mountain lion. Charlie McCarthy, contemptuous of them both, is the only one who knows it's just a plain house cat.

They end up, of course, in a Motel — where they run smack into a crime mystery which forces Private Eye Powell back to work.

Mortimer Snerd, Ray Noble, and Professor Ercil Twing all get into the act before it's over.

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Bergen Guest

Dick Powell will pay a return visit to the Edgar Bergen-Charlie McCarthy Show Sunday evening, May 21st, on CBS. Mortimer Snerd and Professor Ercil Twing will join Dick, Edgar, and Charlie in a zany drama which will highlight the half-hour of comedy.

UAW-CIO Local's Home To Be Civic Center

LaGRANGE, ILL. (LPA) — Walter P. Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers-CIO, was the principal speaker at the ceremonies May 7 laying the cornerstone of the new home of Local 719, UAW-CIO. The $300,000 three-story brick building will include an auditorium, recreation rooms, bowling alleys, snack bar, and cocktail lounge. All the recreational facilities will be open to the community, said Fred W. Aiken, the local's secretary-treasurer. Local 719 represents the workers of the Electro-Motive division of General Motors.

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Here Is The Actual Official Testimony Given By Randolph Gray On Monday

Nobody who sat through two days of Randolph Gray's testimony would want to repeat the experience. And certainly no one would want to read, in cold type, the entire record he made under oath.

But because the Blade, which functions part time as a newspaper and part time as a house organ for anti-union dissident groups, has made such a tremendous to-do in the headlines about the revelations Gray is supposed to have made, the Journal has gone to considerable time, trouble and expense to get a complete record for the membership.

We do not have the transcript of the Friday testimony. As far as we know the transcript has not yet been typed up by the notary.

We know for a fact that as of the time the Journal went to press the Tuesday transcript had not been transcribed from the notes of Notary Howard J. Hise, the official stenographer. We know because we held up publication for a full day in order to get hold of them and print them for you.

Here is, however, the official record of what Randy Gray said on Monday---the testimony on which those whopping black headlines in the Blade were based.

The only things not printed here that were in the record we obtained were repetitions, such as many of Mr. Steinberg's objections---practically all of which were based on the fact that the questions were not relevant or were heresay.

We believe that in this testimony, made under oath, Gray reveals himself more clearly than anyone else can do it for him. Here, Gray tells you exactly what he is, and how his mind works.

Many who read this will find it hard to believe that the seventeen self-styled union men who signed a statement for the Blade to use against Gosser and the union actually said that they agree with Gray's testimony, and knew these things all the time.

The testimony they agree with is the testimony of a man who insists, repeats, and repeats again that he doesn't know much of anything, either about his job or about the activities of anyone else.

He doesn't know how you figure assets; he doesn't know what is meant by "fund," and he can't remember figures for which he was responsible. He says so himself.

We doubt, on the basis of the record (and the other two days were mere elaboraations of the same theme) that Gray will turn out to be a very successful leader of a rebellion.

RANDOLPH GAY resumed the stand, having been previously duly sworn, was further cross examined, and deposed and said as follows:

CROSS EXAMINATION
(Resumed)

By Mr. Ells:

Q—You are still under oath Mr. Gray, as you know.

Now, I believe you testified Friday that one farm was purchased by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation—

MR. GOERLICH: (Interposing) We would like to renew our objection to this line of questioning on the grounds of immaterialality and irrelevancy.

MR. ELLS: I don't believe you have to renew it. It is in the record. We permitted that one to go in and I think we discussed at some length the advisability of putting it in all the time. Your objection is in the record. We let it go in and it goes to the entire deposition the same as Mr. Steinberg's.

Now, will you repeat as much of the question as I had made, Mr. Notary.

(Question at line 7 this page read by Notary.)

By Mr. Ells:

Q—consisting of ninety-six acres in area, for the sum of twenty-thousand dollars, is that correct?

A—Somewhere around that figure, that's right.

Q—You recall having signed a check in that amount for that farm?

A—I believe that is correct.

Q—Now then, another farm consisting of approximately one hundred thirty acres was purchased for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, is that correct?

A—Somewhere around that figure, yes. It's close.

Q—Can you recall having signed a check for the purchase of that farm?

A—That's right.

Q—Then, I believe you also testified that a third tract of land, an orchard, consisting of eighty acres approximately, was purchased for the sum of six thousand dollars, is that correct?

A—That's right.

Q—So that all told the Automotive Workers Building Corporation purchased a total of three hundred six acres of farm land adjacent to the Summer Camp?

A—I don't know if you'd call it exactly farm land. Some of it is woods, and some of it is under cultivation.

Q—But that amount of acreage was purchased by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, is that correct?

A—The acreage is correct.

Q—And, for that amount of acreage they paid the sum of fifty-one thousand dollars. Is that correct as you recall it?

A—Well, if it adds up right. I didn't add it up.

Q—Is that correct, the sum of those individual amounts?

A—The individual amounts are very close.

Q—So that they paid approximately one hundred sixty-seven dollars an acre for this land in Lenawee County, Michigan?

A—I never figured that out to know what it was exactly.

Q—But those are the tracts purchased and those are the amounts paid for each tract?

A—That's right.

Q—You are sure of that?

A—Approximately. I might be a couple bucks off one way or the other.

Q—And you recall having signed checks for those respective amounts?

A—That's right.

Q—Now within your recollection, Mr. Gray, how much was spent in total on remodeling and re-equipping these farms?

A—That I really don't know.

Q—Do you have an estimate of the total amount spent?

A—No. I don't.

Q—You have no recollection whatsoever?

A—No, because some of that wasn't charged to it and, therefore,—well, I don't know what you mean. That's a trick question and you're talking about the total charge, and that I'm not sure of.

Q—As the chief financial officer of Local 12 which you were and are, and also as secretary of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation you must have some recollection of whether large amounts or small amounts were spent on remodeling and rehabilitating and re-equipping these farms, do you not?

A—Well, there was quite a number of dollars spent. Like I say I don't know—even what they list as assets I don't know.

Q—You couldn't say what was spent in total?

A—All I know is the book figure, and whether that's right or wrong—by the time you build up your assets, and some of it is charged to wages and some of it to traveling, I don't know that.

Q—Could you tell us whether a large number of transactions went through the books?

Q—You stated, Mr. Gray, that the books show the amount of money spent and also the transactions?

A—That is for what part? I don't have all of it.

Q—That is for transactions handled by you?

A—That's right.

Q—Do you recall what the totals as shown by the books, were?

MR. STEINBERG: May I interpose an objection Mr. Ells?

MR. ELLS: On what grounds?

MR. STEINBERG: Under the best evidence rule, for the reason the best evidence would be the books.

MR. ELLS: I thought we discussed that the other day.

MR. STEINBERG: This is only for the record.

MR. ELLS: All right.

MR. GOERLICH: I will join in the objection.

MR. ELLS: You have a continuing objection, Lowell.

MR. SMITH: You cannot bother with this deposition too much. You are just here on sufferance, you know.

MR. GOERLICH: I am not here under sufferance, I am a part of this lawsuit and I represent certain defendants and I will object to any questions asked that I feel are objectionable. I said that before and I intend to do it.

MR. SMITH: Well, if you reiterate too much we won't like it.

MR. GOERLICH: I don't care whether you like it or not.

MR. ELLS: Your running objection is on the record at the beginning of this deposition. Now please don't impede this deposition.

MR. GOERLICH: Your question was not in connection with the Automotive Workers Building Corporation—

MR. ELLS: How do you arrive at that conclusion?

MR. GOERLICH: You are asking for these expenditures?

MR. ELLS: I am.

MR. GOERLICH: Then direct your questions to what expenditures you are asking for.

MR. ELLS: I am asking about expenditures made for and on properties admittedly owned by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation.

MR. SMITH: And furthermore this is a bill of discovery in the way of a deposition.

MR. STEINBERG: Why argue? Let's make our objections and let it go at that.

MR. ELLS: Note your objection and that will be it. Now, will you read the last question, please.

(Thereupon, the question at line 6, page 72, "Q—You stated, Mr. Gray, that the books show the amount of money spent and also the transactions?" and the answer, "A—That is for what part? I don't have all of it." and the question, "Q—That is for transactions handled by you?" and the answer, "A — That's right." was read by the Notary.) (The next question, "Q—Do you recall what the totals as shown by the books, were?" was read by the Notary.)

A—What books are you referring to?

Q—The books of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation.

A—I don't know off hand of any from the Automotive Workers Building Corporation outside of the purchase of the property and what items were there at the time of the purchase, such as cows and tractors and tools, and I guess there was some furniture there, and so forth.

Q—How about the same totals as shown on the books of Local 12 for expenditures on properties owned by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, do you recall those totals?

MR. STEINBERG: Objection.

MR. GOERLICH: I am objecting to that too.

A—I don't know. That's a funny question. I want to be honest about the damned thing, but I don't know how you figure assets and so forth. All I show is the initial expense. In other words if they bought something for a hundred bucks and it might only be worth ninety, I wouldn't show that.

(NOTE: Here is the financial secretary of a big local union declaring for the record that he doesn't know how to figure assets.)

Q—That is exactly what we are asking for, those expenditures you just referred to, can you recall the totals?

A—No. The only totals I know about are the figures in the red. I don't know the grand totals.

Q—What are the figures that are in the red?

A—Well, it's on the Farm, and I'd like to talk about that, and—

MR. ELLS: I would like to rephrase that last question, Mr. Notary—What are the red figuers?

A—The red figures to the best of my knowledge—because I don't keep the books on that part now—is around $50,000.

Q—That represents what?

A—The book figure.

Q—Within your understanding that is a deficit figure for the operation of the farms?

A—I suppose it would be until such time as you offset it with the assets they had. I suppose there would have to be an adjustment there. I mean there is some value there even though you did spend it.

Q—Do you recall, Mr. Gray, any specific amounts spent for remodeling buildings on the Farms?

A—There's so damned many items it's pretty hard to recall that because there's quite a number.

Q—Would you say a considerable amount in relation to the purchase price was spent?

A—I don't know just how to answer that. It's kind-a got me stumped because—well, I don't know—you talk about assets and so forth, and you talk about labor, and it's kind-a got me confused.

NOTE: How "confused Gray got can be seen in the following questions and answers which begin with a mythical pump, and end with a $2500 cow.)

Q—We are talking about expenditures. If a hundred dollars was expended for a pump, or something like that, that is what I am endeavoring to ascertain from you.

A—Well, it would show a hundred dollars for the pump on my books anyhow.

Q—We are not asking you to assume the pump would be worth a hundred and fifty dollars, or twenty five dollars; we are just asking you for the total of such expenditures.

A—Well, there was quite a bit but, like I say, I don't know the totals. There was some cows bought—I don't know if it was a two thousand dollar figure or a twenty-five hundred dollar figure that was spent for cows.

Q—It would be your recollection either two thousand or twenty five hundred dollars was spent for cows?

A—I don't know because there was so many items, I don't remember. I didn't look too close, because there's so damned many items it's hard to say at this time and I don't want to say exactly at this time. Christ, there were oodles of them, and I don't know them all.

Q—There were quite a number of transactions, and they were large?

A—They were numerous, I'd say.

Q—Do you recall signing a check for the purchase of chickens for the Farms?

A—I think that was from the Melwood Hatchery, and to the best of my memory I did.

Q—But you do recall signing a check to the Melwood Hatchery for the purchase of chickens?

A—There were several, now. I don't know which was which.

Q—Do you recall what the amount of that check was?

A—No, because there were several and that's what's got me mixed up.

Q—You have no recollection of the amount of payments for the chickens?

A—No, I have no recollection because we bought them at several different times and in several amounts, and I'm not sure.

Q—Now, do you recall, Mr. Gray, signing any checks for the purchase of ducks or geese for these farms?

A—Well, I've signed checks for ducks and geese, yes. I think one thing should be pointed out. I don't know. I've signed checks on both sides, and I don't know on what side you mean?

Q—What do you mean by your statement that you 'signed checks on both sides?'

A—I mean I've signed checks for the Local and I've signed Corporation checks, and you could get me in a dither on that one.

Q—Let me ask you this. Were the purchases of live stock for the Summer Camp made by Local 12 from its treasury, or by the Building Corporation from its treasury?

A—To the best of my knowledge it was made on the Local and not on the Corporation.

Q—Were any such purchases made from the funds of the Building Corporation?

A—You mean for stock?

Q—Yes.

A—I mean live stock?

Q—That's right.

A—Not to my knowledge—I mean if it was done it was a small item, I would say, and that it might have been through an error.

Q—Now, I will ask you if you ever signed any checks for the purchase of farm machinery for these farms?

A—I believe I did.

Q—Were these checks drawn on the funds of the Building Corporation?

A—To the best of my knowledge they were drawn on the Local.

Q—Purchases of farm machinery, then, were paid for from funds of Local 12, is that correct?

A—To the best of my knowledge, yes.

Q—Do you recall, Mr. Gray, of having received any funds from the sale of produce from these farms?

A—Oh, when they first started I did, what they turned over to me here in town, and they did that as a rule, I think, up until some time in '48. It was somewhere around that time. Anyhow they changed that later.

Q—Do you recall having received any funds for sales from the farms during the year 1947?

A—Well, if they made any I must have got them. I don't know about this sale business because, after all, all I know is what they bring in to the window.

Q—That is not responsive. I asked you if you received any money representing the proceeds of sales of produce from the farms?

A—I received some but I don't know just what it applied to.

Q—Do you recall ever having received any money from the sale of eggs or poultry from the farms?

A—For the year 1947 I'm not too sure about that. I mean I did receive some money on eggs and on hogs, or something, and milk.

Q—Do you recall the total amount of such funds?

A—No, I don't. It wasn't too great, but I don't know what the amount is. I wouldn't know.

Q—Do you recall having deposited such funds as you did receive?

A—Well, that's an automatic thing.

Q—Did you deposit those funds to the credit of Local 12?

A—Well, they were deposited in the general account and then, of course, they were transferred to another local account. I assume that is what you mean.

Q—Do you recall having transfered any of those funds to the account of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation?

A—No. I don't.

Q—Do you recall having received—

A—(Interposing) Well, wait a minute now—

MR. ELLS: Strike that, Howard.

A—You mean on sales?

Q—Yes.

A—No.

Q—Do you recall having received any funds representing Federal Government payments for farm operations?

A—Not to my knowledge.

Q—You never received any?

A—I don't know. I said not to my knowledge. I don't remember.

Q—You don't recall ever having received any check or checks from the United States Government under the Agricultural Act?

A—Not to my knowledge. I don't recall it anyhow.

Q—Do you recall ever having prepared any claims for such payments?

A—For something missing, or something?

Q—Any claims for benefits under the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

A—No. I don't.

Q—Do you know whether or not any such claims were ever filed?

A—Not to my knowledge, not that I recall.

Q—Now, were separate books kept on the operation of the farms?

A—I don't know. You say "farms", and what do you mean by that, within the farm group?

Q—I am talking about these three farms about which you testified you signed checks to purchase these 306 acres of land.

A—Well, you mean Farm one, two, three, and four — is that what you mean?

Q—That's right.

A—No. It was never kept that way, no separate books were kept.

Q—Was a fund kept for the operation of the farms?

A—For the farms only, yes.

Q—Was that kept under your supervision?

A—Well, the fund when it was there, yes. I mean only in part, because I didn't have too much to say about any supervising of it.

Q—Did you make any of the entries in the books covering the operation of the farms?

A—No. The office help does that.

Q—That is, some employees under your supervision?

A—Yes.

Q—Who was that employee?

A—Well, I assume it would be the two bookkeepers on the bookkeeping machines unless one of them would be off for a day, or something — would be the only way, and there would be girls at the window who would write the receipts. I mean there would be three or four people involved before it got done.

Q—Who were the two girls you mentioned?

A—One was named Virginia and the other was named Margaret.

Q—What were their last names?

A—Riehle, and White.

Q—Would you tell us again, Mr. Gray, what the total deficit was or the total red figure was for the operation of the farms?

A—I am just thinking of the book figure and again I say you must adjust for assets and the only figure I have is around fifty thousand dollars.

(NOTE: The financial secretary, who said he didn't know how to figure assests, and who can't remember the figures, is now to be quoted as saying the operation of the Farms was at a $50,000 deficit before adjusting for assets. And this is the "testimony" on which the Blade based its report: "The farms are running in the red about $50,000, minus assets, he said.")

Q—When did you see tht deficit figure of fifty thousand dollars the last time?

A—Oh, if I'm not mistaken it's around — I don't know about right on the nose, but I think it was when the auditors were going through the books and they asked me about the funds and so forth, just some general question.

Q—When were the auditors making this audit to which you refer?

A—Let's see. One of them started in November.

Q—That is November of 1949?

A—That's right.

Q—And they are still working on these accounts, is that correct?

A—Yes. There's a guy still there.

Q—Who are these auditors?

A—Well, they made a slight change. Let's see. There was a guy named Johnson and I think a guy named Ahrens. He was there about that time.

Q—Were they employees of Local 12?

A—Of the International Union.

Q—They are from the International Union?

A—That's right.

Q—Do they come from Detroit?

A—Well, I don't know whether they all live in Detroit, or not. I understood one of them said he lived in Fostoria, I'm not sure of that, but somewhere here in Ohio, I know.

Q—But they are in the employ of the International union?

A—That's right.

Q—And, are they in the employ of Mr. Mazey's department in the International union?

A—I would assume he would have jurisdiction. That's part, auditing books, but they report to a guy named Cassey?

Q—Is Mr. Cassey the chief or head auditor?

A—He's the head auditor from what they tell me.

Q—Does Mr. Cassey regularly audit the books of Local 12?

A—He hasn't been there for long.

Q—Is he a new employee?

A—I don't know about the word "new" but he hasn't been on that job too long. Whenever Frankenstein left, that's the date.

MR. STEINBERG: Object to the last four questions and I ask that the answers be stricken for the reason the answers are based on hearsay.

MR. ELLS: Your objection is noted, Mr. Steinberg.

MR. STEINBERG: Thank you.

Q—Now Mr. Gray, you testified most of the expenditures for operating the farms are made from the funds of Local 12. Is that correct?

A—That would be right.

Q—You further testified, however, that the farms are owned by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, is that correct?

A—They paid for them. They should own them.

Q—That's right, and now does Local 12 pay the Automotive Workers Building Corporation any rent for the Summer Camp?

A—They did, I think, at one time. I don't know whether it was five hundred dollars or fifteen hundred, but it was somewhere around that, but that's all they ever paid.

(NOTE: And here we have the financial secretary testifying that he can't remember whether rental he was charged with recording was $500 or $1,500 — a sizable distinction.)

Q—Would that be five hundred dollars or fifteen hundred dollars for a season, or for a year, or per month, or what?

A—I'm not too sure but I think it was five hundred a month for three months. They tried that for just one season and then they didn't afterwards.

Q—It would be your recollection, then, that such payment was only made once, is that correct?

A—I'm pretty sure. I believe that's about right, that but one payment was made and I think that's the first year it was opened up — or the first season.

Q—It is your recollection that the payment was for the first year?

A—For the first season. It was so much a month, but I don't remember how many months they had it open.

Q—And do you recall having received any further payments?

A—No.

Q—Now Mr. Gray when did the Automotive Workers Building Corporation purchase the Sand Lake tract from the Will-O-Land Sportsmen's Club?

A—I don't know, in '46 or '47. It was before the farms, I know that. I'd almost have to look at the record to be sure.

Q—Would you say that it was in April of 1947?

A—It was in the early part of the year, I know. Now, I say, that's something — well, I know it wasn't in the fall.

Q—All right. Now, within your recollection when was the first farm consisting of ninety-six acres purchased?

A—I believe it was the same year—

Q—Yess—

A— —a few months later.

Q—Would you say shortly after the Summer Camp was purchased?

A—Well, I know that it wasn't too many months away that it was done. I don't know what you mean by "shortly."

Q—You would say if the Summer Camp was purchased in April of 1947 that farm number one, that is, the 96 acre farm was also purchased in 1947, would you not?

A—I'd rather say it this way — on the basis of shortly after. I'm confused about the dates and I don't want to say something about the dates and not be right about it. It was shortly after that when they decided to buy it and put some stuff in it for the kids.

Q—Would you say that farm number two, consisting of 130 acres, was purchased by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation the same year the Summer Camp was purchased?

A—If it wasn't it was — Oh, I don't know — Christ — they were cutting some grain there and I don't know what month it was.

Q—But it is your recollection these purchases were made either in 1946 or 1947, is that correct?

A—The first two, but I don't know about that 130 acres; that could have been 1947 or '48. I don't know.

Q—All right. Do you recall, relative to these other purchases, when the 80-acre tract of land was purchased?

A—To the best of my knowledge it was shortly after we purchased the 130 acres. It wasn't too far apart.

Q—But you do recall they were all purchased in 1947?

A—That I don't recall.

Q—But it is your recollection that it was either 1946 or 1947?

A—Part of them. I don't know all of them — because there's too many pieces of property and you're trying to nail me down on dates and I'd have to look at the records to give you those, and I wouldn't know until I looked at the books. I'd have to look at the books.

Q—Now Mr. Gray, who is the farm manager?

A—Well, I don't know what you mean by that. I mean there's a guy works out there who is the superintendent.

Q—Who is the man in charge of operating the farms?

A—I could say it this way — I'm trying to give you as decent answers as I can. The guy takes his orders from Gosser but he is called the superintendent and in the meantime I think Clem Holewinski has something to do with it, but how much I don't know.

Q—You would say Gosser runs the farms?

A—He issues the orders anyhow — at least, he has.

Q—Who is Mr. Holewinski?

A—He is the camp director.

Q—He is the camp director, you say?

A—Yes, he's the camp director at the Summer Camp, yes.

Q—And the camp director is in charge of the farms, is that correct?

A—No. He just helps out. You talk about the "being-in-charge" part and there could be a big argument on that. The easiest way for me to answer is to say Dick is in charge of the farms.

Q—You would say Dick is in charge of the farms?

A—That's right — I mean there's too many orders back and forth.

(NOTE: Here is where Gray's testimony about the dictatorial methods of Gosser results in Blade headlines. "Dick is in charge of the farms" says the man who testifies that he only knows what somebody tells him, and "there's too many orders back and forth" he concludes. It was probably this very dictatorship and domination that prompted the dues office clerks to walk out, and against which the seventeen revolters are revolting. Revolting, isn't it?)

Q—Within your knowledge does Mr. Holewinski live on one of the farms?

A—I don't know that, but to the best of my knowledge I think he lives at the farms.

Q—Do you know who lives on the farms?

A—Well, there's a fellow by the name of Riopelle (spelling) R-i-o-p-e-l-l-e. ....

Q—What is Mr. Riopelle's title?

A—Superintendent. Once in a while a remark is made that he's the manager, but he's the superintendent.

Q—That is, Mr. Riopelle is superintendent of the farm?

A—Of the Farms, yes.

Q—Of the Farms, I should say.

A—That's right.

Q—Is Mr. Riopelle on the payroll of Local 12?

A—Now you're asking me a funny question. He was, and then like I say there's been a difference of opinion between myself and others now since they changed the regulations. He should be a part of the Corporation although we pay him ,and we are reimbursed, on account of taxes. I don't know which is which, that is, I don't know about the legal part of it.

Q—Do you mean ,that Mr. Riopelle receives his salary from Local 12 and then Local 12 is reimbursed by the Automotive Workers Building Corporation.

A—I don't mean that exactly. I say I understand this regulation change is there since March 10th and it is that disbursements should be made out of the Corporation for the Farms and the Summer Camp. That's just my opinion and I don't know whether I'm right or wrong. I haven't seen any checks on that since the meeting.

Q—Have you ever signed any checks for Mr. Riopelle's compensation?

A—Yes. I believe I did the other day.

Q—Do you recall what Mr. Riopelle's compensation is?

A—Yes. If I'm not mistaken I think it's fifty dollars a week.

Q—Fifty dollars a week, and Mr. Riopelle also receives his residence at the Farms?

A—That's right.

Q—I believe you have testified, Mr. Gray, that expenditures for the operation of the Local 12 Farm are carried in a separate fund on the books of Local 12, is that correct?

A—Well, what do you mean by "fund"? Do you mean a bank account?

Q—Well, are they segrated?

A—Well, the properties are, and you have them noted in a certain category, like a farm category.

Q—That would be a fund, then, would it not?

A—Something like that. Each class is separate, I mean. I'll say that.

Q—Then there is a separate clasification of expenditures?

A—What do you mean by that? You're trying to trip me up here, and —

Q—No, I am not trying to trip you up —

A— — there might be some other expenses they paid which wouldn't be in this particular clasification. The only thing shown is what we run in that fund no matter whatever else happened.

Q—Where would any other expenditures be shown?

A—Well, for example, Holevinski, he's up there and he's paid out of the general fund, but it won't show on that account.

Q—Are there other employees who spend their time in those activities and whose compensation is paid out of general funds but which would not be reflected in the Farm deficit?

A—Oh yes.

Q—Could you give us the names of those employees?

A—Well, here' the thing that makes it tough for me to answer that question — it's because they work back and forth between the Farms and the Local. I know lots of these guys, some days they work at the Camp and other days they work at the Farms and — Oh, hell, I don't know.

Q—Would you say, Mr. Gray, that no accurate segregation of expenditures is posible in the operation of the Farms?

A—Oh, it's possible, if they want to do it that way. Anything is possible.

Q—But it is not being done that way, is that correct?

A—It isn't being done, that's right.

Q—Would you say the $50,000 red figure to which you have testified, then, is not an accurate figure?

A—Well, it depends on what you want to term it. I'm thinking about the book figure that that account shows no matter what else happens.

Q—Would you say that that deficit represents the entire deficit for operating the farms?

A—Well, that's a funny question. They might call the other slips a donation. We paid them, so — well, it's a tricky thing to answer.

Q—Now, I think you have testified that Mr. Gosser was the boss of the Farm operations, is that correct, Mr. Gray?

A—There's no doubt in my mind about it. There might be in other peoples'.

Q—Do you recall, Mr. Gray, how much money was spent modernizing and rebuilding the Local 12 Summer Camp during the year 1947?

A—No. I don't know that. Again I say there's a lot of items about which I don't know. I never ran a total on them myself.

Q—But you do say, Mr. Gray, that Mr. Gosser was boss of the Summer Camp?

A—That would be right. Yes.

Q—He issues the orders concerning its operation?

A—Yes. He operates it.

Q—Now did Mr. Gosser, Mr. Gray, ever issue any orders concerning purchases for the Summer Camp and for the Farms?

A—Well, as a rule and to the best of my recollection I would say the bulk of them.

Q—Would you say, Mr. Gray, that Mr. Gosser issued the orders on where the purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms were to be made?

A—That would be a funny one — I mean, to answer that — knowing some of the people that he had. I don't — I don't know just how to answer that one. All I could go by was by insinuations and so forth.

(NOTE: All Gray knows about Gosser and the farm and camp operations, he testifies, is "by insinuations and forth." That's good enough for the Blade, however, and plenty good enough for the seventeen revolters, who published a statement in the Blade ening this testimony, and declaring that it bears out what they had known for a long time. We have known for a long time, too, that this whole case is built "by insinuations and so forth," too!)

Q—Did Mr. Gosser ever issue any order reserving the approval of purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms to himself?

A—What do you mean by "reserving"?

Q—Reserving the right to approve them, to himself.

A—He just done it. I mean— hell — that's what he done.

Q—Now Mr. Gray, I hand you a mimeographed paper dated March 8, 1948 and addressed to "International Representatives, Local 12 Full Time Officers, Camp Director and Farm Superintendent," which I will ask you to identify and tell us whether you have ever seen this document before?

MR. ELLS: Now, I want this marked for identification with the next Plaintiff's exhibit number, please.

A—Well, I've seen one like it, yes.

Q—Did you receive one?

A—To the best of my knowledge, yes. At least I read one anyhow.

Q—At approximately the time it is dated?

A—Somewhere around there, yes.

Q—Did you understand that order to mean that Mr. Gosser would make the purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms?

A—I think what you should do is break it down if you are going to use this letter, because I don't know how to go on this second paragraph. Do you mean in the second paragraph, do you mean he put it in there, or did he just say it verbally? I mean that's the thing that bothers me.

MR. ELLS: What is the question. Read it back please.

(The question, "Q—Did you understand that order to mean that Mr. Gosser would make the purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms?" was read by the Notary.)

A—You are leaving the Corporation out of it.

Q—At the moment, yes.

A—Well, I'd go back and say that he as a rule, and to the best of my knowledge and understanding most of the time, oh, he'd get the things what he had wanted up there. I don't know whether you'd call it orders or not, but he'd detail somebody to see that the things were gotten. We didn't always have purchase orders until later.

Q—Well, paragraph two of this March 8, 1948 order reads a follows:

"In the purchase of things needed all purchases must come through the President of Local 12 and be approved by the President of the Building Corporation; all vouchers filled out, etc. and be approved by him before payment. Even in the case of an emergency there still must be a voucher filled out by and sent to my secretary in a normal way. The check will be forwarded at a later date."

Now, I am asking you, Mr. Gray, if that is an order issued by Mr. Gosser under which Mr. Gosser made or approved all purchases made for the Summer Camp and the Farms?

(NOTE: The paragraph quoted, as a matter of fact, is even more than Ells asked. It is obviously a direct order by the responsible officer of an organization that all expenditures be okayed, recorded, and accompanied by a voucher. That is why the books, as the auditor's report will state, are in excellent shape and give a complete and understandable record of everything that was done.)

A—I still don't know the meaning of that. Like I say he had charge of that, but to say he actually approved of it—I mean if he wanted anything he had it done.

Q—Did Gosser place orders for things needed at the Summer Camp or the Farms?

A—Do you mean that he went out to a store or a lumber yard or something like that, is that what you mean?

Q—That's right, did he do buying?

A—Usually somebody else went, as a rule.

Q—Did Mr. Schultz do the buying?

A—Oh, I could say that on occasion he did. I'm not too sure. As near as I know there's quite a group of people went out and got stuff.

Q—Now, within your knowledge, Mr. Gray, were sizeable purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms made from Colonial Hardware?

MR. STEINBERG: May I object to the use of the word "sizeable."

MR. ELLS: All right. Put his objection in the record.

A—There were purchases made there. I don't know about those words—like when you say "sizeable."

Q—Did you sign checks payable to Colonial Hardware?

A—Yes. I've signed checks payable to Colonial Hardware.

MR. STEINBERG: Wait a minute. I want to raise an objection to that.

MR. ELLS: All right, put it in.

A—I've signed a number of them. I don't know whether it's a great number or what.

MR. SMITH: Well, let's get whether it's five hundred or how many.

THE WITNESS: I don't want to be pinned down to any certain number.

Q—Do you recall the total amount of money paid to Colonial Hardware covering purchases for the Summer Camp and the Farms during 1947?

A—That one I don't know. I'd have to look it up.

Q—Do you recall approximately what the total amount was?

A—Not for the one year I wouldn't—I mean I'd have to look at the books to find that out. I don't know that from here.

Q—Do you recall having signed any checks to Colonial Hardware in the amount of $3,000?

A—There have beeen some pretty good figures—I don't know—over the two thousand dollar mark or right close to the two thousand dollar mark.

Q—Do you recall any specific large amounts for which you signed checks?

A—No. I don't recall off hand.

Q—Do you recall any payments to Colonial Hardware totalling thirty-six thousand dollars?

A—Well, there could have been a group to approximate that amount.

Q—Would you say within your knowledge, Mr. Gray, that Colonial Hardware received sixty thousand dollars.

A—That I wouldn't know—I mean I would have to look at the records.

Q—Would you say it received forty-thousand dollars from Local 12?

A—You mean all during the period, or what?

Q—Yes.

MR. STEINBERG: Do you mean throughout the period of 1946, '47 and '48?

By Mr. Ells:

Q—That is right.

A—Something like that.

MR. STEINBERG: Not "something like that."

MR. ELLS: I think the question bears on the year 1947 to right now.

A—That I wouldn't know, the amount for 1947 unless, as I say, until I looked at the records.

Q—Would you say Colonial Hardware received payments in excess of one hundred thousand dollars in total amount since the Camp and the Farms were purchased?

A—I don't know that.

Q—In other words we are to understand that you cannot answer with any reasonable accuracy as to the total amount paid Colonial Hardware for the Summer Camp and the Farms?

A—Well, the reason I can't—I'm just gonna be honest about it—we never made a break down of it because we didn't have the proper amount of personnel in the office.

Q—You do recall, however, having signed checks to Colonial Hardware?

A—Yes, I've signed checks, quite a number of them.

Q—And you further recall having signed checks in amounts of money in excess of two thousand dollars?

A—I'd say approximately two thousand dollars, but I don't know exactly just off hand.

Q—That is on individual checks approximating that amount?

Q—Now, were these checks drawn on the funds of Local 12 or on the funds of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation?

A—You mean—you're talking about the Farms now?

Q—That's right, I am talking about the checks payable to Colonial Hardware.

A—There were some drawn both ways. I don't know just how that question applies to that.

Q—Then, there were payments made to Colonial Hardware from funds of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, is that correct?

A—Yes, but I don't think they applied to the Farm, though.

Q—Did they apply to the Summer Camp?

A—No. To the best of my recollection it was for things around the Local, and with the exception of — I think they bought—I don't know—I get mixed up because it's half and half. The bus body belongs to the Camp but the Corporation owns that. Them things make it hard for me to tell you exactly until I could go back and consult the figures.

I hope you can appreciate that—

Q—That's right—

A—I mean they belong in two different groups.

Q—In other words you are having trouble answering some of these questions because of the manner in which the records are kept.

A—Well, yes, it's based on the present set-up, and with the difficulty I have had in the past I'd say that's right.

Q—Now once again Mr. Gray do you recall of having signed checks payable to Colonial Hardware drawn on the funds of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation?

A—Did you say for the Farms or the Camp?

MR. ELLS: Read the question to him, Howard.

(The question was read by the Notary.)

A—From the Building Corporation to Colonial Hardware, yes.

Q—Then the Automotive Workers Building Corporation did make purchases from Colonial Hardware?

A—That's right.

Q—Local 12 also made purchases from Colonial Hardware, did it not?

A—That's right.

Q—And, these purchases were for the Summer Camp and for the Farms and for the Local?

A—Yes, and for the Corporation too.

Q—Now, were vouchers always properly approved covering all purchases from Colonial Hardware?

A—That I'm not too sure of. I don't know whether they were or not.

Q—Was it your custom to withhold the writing of checks until approved vouchers were received covering all expenditures?

A—You mean the custom as to the vouchers?

Q—Yes.

A—No.

Q—Would you tell us in your own words how an expenditure for the purchase of something is handled in your Local 12 setup?

A—We have so many methods it's dificulft to know just how to describe it to you because there were so many guys buying — I mean that's why your question is so hard to answer.

Q—Do the by-laws specify who should do the buying?

A—I don't recall that. I mean they may, but I don't know that —I mean off-hand — I mean I'd have to refresh my memory.

Q—Was the memorandum of March 8, 1948 covering purchases for the Farms and for the Summer Camp followed in all cases after it was issued?

A—Not to my knowledge. No.

Q—It was not?

A—No.

Q—You would say, then, that Gosser's orders that purchases must be approved by himself as president of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, were not always followed?

A—I don't know — the only thing — I could be wrong, but I mean the outstanding thing was the basis on which I worked, that is, I mean if it was Mr. Rediger's purchase I was to pay it.

MR. STEINBERG: Object to that and I ask that the answer be stricken.

Q—Were you ever in charge of purchasing yourself?

A—As a rule, way back before the Colonial Hardware started, I done practically all the purchasing.

(NOTE: Way back before Colonial Hardware started, there weren't any Summer Camps or Farms for Gray to do all the purchasing for; and so he could not have been "deprived" of this responsibility when Colonial Hardwas started. The financial secretary either should know this, or shouldn't have testified about it.)

Q—Then, you would say when Colonial Hardware was started you were deprived of your authority to purchase?

A—Oh, I could make purchases of things there and a few other places.

Q—Did you purchase printing, for example?

A—Not to my knowledge — unless it was done while I was off, sick.

Q—Who did purchase the printing?

A—If I understood it correctly a girl in the office might have, and typed my name in on it. On printing there was an argument when I came back, and one of the girls told me she had had orders to order from a certain company and when we couldn't get any service I said, "Well, I'll call another business, and if they want to fire me for it they can fire me," but nothing was ever said directly to me about it.

Q—But you did make most of the purchases before Colonial Hardware came into existence is that correct?

A—Yes.

Q—Now, after Colonial Hardware was organized you ceased being the purchasing agent, is that correct?

A—Well, I done some purchasing, but I mean I didn't do any amount like I did before.

Q—Would you say your purchasing duties were minor after Colonial Hardware was organized.

(NOTE: Colonial Hardware opened in October, 1945, whereupon Gray's purchasing duties for the Camp and the Farms weren't "anywhere near as great" as before. The Summer Camp was dedicated in June, 1947, and the Farms were purchased later.)

A—That's a funny word. I've been in so damned many things —well, I know it wasn't anywhere near as great as it was before.

Q—Would you say your pur chases were greatly decreased?

A—I know my stock went down.

MR. STEINBERG: I want to raise an objection to the last question and answer, and I ask that the answer be stricken.

Q—Now within your recollection, Mr. Gray, were all purchases from Colonial Hardware made upon properly approved vouchers?

A—Well, again I'll have to say I don't know because I don't know what constitutes the word "proper" and because, as I say, I only signed the checks because I was out and away most of the time negotiating, and as a rule I would take them home when I could and read them and sign the checks.

Q—Is it true that your office prepares the checks?

A—They do now. They didn't some time back, but I don't know just exactly the breaking-off date.

Q—Could you tell us approximately when that policy was changed?

A—I believe I'd have to look at the records for that—I mean I wouldn't want to say unless I was right.

Q—Are full time auditors employed to approve all expenditures?

A—No, not full time. No.

Q—Are any auditors employed to approve expenditures?

A—You mean a regular auditor now, and not a trustee, or someone else?

Q—That's right.

A—Not in the Local. No.

Q—Do you know of any official or officials of the Local charged with the approval of expenditures before the checks are written?

A—I would assume under the book that it would be the president and the treasurer. All I can go by is the book — I'm talking about the Constitution.

Q—Then, you are assuming that the president of Local 12 approves all purchases?

A—He'd practically have to under the system.

Q—Are the trustees required to approve expenditures?

A—Well, they are now.

Q—How long have they been so empowered?

A—Well, they have always been empowered; they just didn't do it.

Q—Do you know of any instances wherein the trustees refused to approve expenditures to Colonial Hardware?

A—Well, the only one I could recall off hand would be in the last meeting of the Automotive Workers Building Corporation, and they refused to pay them until they were itemized.

Q—I didn't get that answer, Mr. Gray.

A—I mean they refused to approve them until they were itemized. I mean unless it was —well, like a hundred dollars worth of paper, or anything else, unless it was itemized they refused to approve it.

Q—Did you as financial secretary ever raise any question about expenditures to Colonial Hardware?

A—Oh yes, I've raised some. Yes.

Q—Could you tell us the nature of the objections you raised?

A—Well, I objected on the basis of prices on a few of them. Of course along with these prices we did have some good prices, and maybe it was my way of thinking, but I mean in my own opinion I just didn't like them.

Q—Was that because you believed the prices paid were out of line?

A—Well, yes, the only thing I could go by, I could say that I could have bought them cheaper.

Q—Did you ever inform the Board of Local 12 that the sum of thirty-six thousand dollars had been paid to Colonial Hardware for which there were no itemized bills?

A—I don't recall talking to the Board. I do recall talking to Dick—that is, I sent him up a note. He'd wanted a statement on the cost of items that were purchased and so forth, so, there were a number of them on the Store—I'm not too sure about the amount of money, but it might have been twenty or thirty.

Q—Now, by "twenty or thirty," do you mean twenty or thirty thousand dollars?

A—Yes, and he gave me hell because, he said, I'd just put down the word "Hardware" and that I should-a put "Colonial Hardware."

(NOTE: Here we have Gray trying to conceal the purchase from Colonial Hardware store by merely calling the recap "Hardware," and Gosser insisting on the full name, "Colonial Hardware," so the records would show it. Remember this, when, later in the testimony, Gray tries to make it appear that Gosser was HIDING something instead of making it CLEAR.)

Q—In other words you just put down the word "Hardware?"

A—No—well, some of them did have—well, I think the way that was, they got bills attached to them. But I mean when you make up a check you don't take the billings, they just take the slips attached to them, at least to my knowledge most of them anyhow, and then when you type up the check you show invoice so-and-so and so-and-so, and when I made up this recap on his request, why, of course I didn't know what they were, and I didnt' mention it at this particular time because there were quite a number of items and, after all, it was his own store and he didn't know what the hell it was.

Q—What was the nature of this report he asked you to change?

A—Just the name.

Q—That is not responsive, Mr. Gray.

What kind of report had you prepared which listed some twenty or thirty-thousand dollars of payments to Colonial Hardware?

A—Well, it was a recap on total costs, I mean it was just a summary, of going through and picking up amounts of money like, if the book happened to call for lumber we grouped all the lumber together, and if it happened to call for supplies we listed them the same way and, well, we had quite a number of Colonials and so I put that down that way because I thought it was the only way to do it because it was too great a figure. He thought I shouldn't have used that word.

Q—Did you change this report to show this total was made for miscellaneous stores?

A—Not on the books. It was merely a memorandum to him. The original books had not been changed.

Q—Did he tell you why he wanted that report changed?

(NOTE: And here is where Gray tries to twist the facts to make Gosser's insistence on a full record look like an attempt to conceal it.

A—He said I was just pointing a finger at him. I told him that was not my intention because I didn't know what to call it, because getting that report out for a couple years, it was very difficult—with figures in writing—to get it too accurate, so I just made it in writing and gave an approximate figure on certain items like coal and different things like that, and I thought maybe we could group them with titles such as lumber, and coal, and feed, and I guess there was electricity and telephone bills, and so we grouped them that way.

Q—Were these items for the operation of the Camp and the Farms and the Local?

A—Just the Camp and the Farms.

Q—Just the Camp and the Farms?

A—To the best of my knowledge, yes.

Q—Do you recall when this report was made, Mr. Gray?

A—I believe it was in the latter part of 1948 if I'm not mistaken, or somewhere in the middle of the summer.

Q—And within your recollection this report showed twenty or thirty-thousand dollars of payments to Colonial Hardware?

A—That's right.

Q—Did you ever see itemized bills covering purchases from Colonial Hardware?

A—I've seen those bills, yes.

Q—And, on some occasions you thought the prices were high?

A—Well, yes, it would be my opinion.

Q—Could you recall any of those instances for us?

A—Well, for example, if you **were to purchase an item from a retailer at a certain figure, in order to get the Colonial Hardware name on it it might cost you five dollars.**

Q—Could you be more specific, could you name any single item where in your opinion there was an overcharge?

A—Well, I don't like to involve people that are in business in town —

Q—Yes—

A—but I do know that.

Q—That answer is not responsive, and I will have Mr. Hise read the question back to you, and you can then answer it.

(The question was read by the Notary.)

MR. STEINBERG: Note an objection to that.

A—Well, I answered it.

MR. ELLS: Will you read that question again.

(The question was again read by the Notary.)

A—Well, I would say—and I have to take this on the basis of the company's billing on a balloon for example.

Q—Do you have reference to a toy rubber balloon?

A—No. I wouldn't exactly call it a toy. It was a pretty good sized balloon. It cost thirty-five dollars, which was what we were supposed to pay for it, and when I got the bill it was for forty dollars.

NOTE: It was the Labor Day parade balloon painted with a "Beat Taft" sign. Most such balloons cost a thousand dollars or more. By the use of long distance telephoning, at substantial expense, Colonial Hardware finally located the smaller balloon in Toledo. It placed a $5 "profit margin" on it, which did not even pay for the phone calls.)

Q—For what purpose was such a balloon purchased?

A—For Local affairs.

MR. STEINBERG: Do you mean toy balloons?

THE WITNESS: No.

Q—It was purchased from Colonial Hardware?

A—Well, I don't know how you mean it was purchased. It was purchased at another place and it went there, and after it went there it was sent back to us.

Q—You mean Colonial Hardware did not supply the balloon, btu that the Local paid Colonial Hardware for the balloon?

A—They supplied it through another guy, yes.

Q—Within your knowledge Colonial Hardware did not stock balloons?

A—Thats' right.

Q—But that Colonial Hardware charged the Local five dollars over the price at which it could have bought the balloon directly from the seller, is that correct?

A—That's right.

(NOTE: Colonial Hard ware bought the balloon at wholesale for $35. The Local could not have bought it from the supplier at all; and the retail price at that same firm would have been more than the $40 the Local finally paid.)

Q—Did that happen in many cases within your knowledge?

A—That I don't know because I didn't pay too much attention until we got a little short of cash and then I commenced to get kinda nosy.

Q—When was it that you begun to scrutinize these expenditures?

A—Well, I'll say not too many, but the most outstanding was, I think, oh, around about in May or June, something like that, of 1949.

Q—Of 1949?

A—Yes.

Q—Well, within your knowledge Mr. Gray, were most of the purchases from Colonial Hardware made on the same basis?

A—Well, that I'm not too sure of—until I could check with the other concerns, because I guess maybe what happened the company got mixed up and sent me the originial billing and of course I couldn't pay it; I had to pay it the other way, and when I brought it up with Mr. Gosser I was told to keep my nose out of his hardware store.

Q—In other words the company which supplied the balloon made a mistake and sent the bill to Local 12?

A—It said Local 12, it didn't say Colonial Hardaware on it.

Q—And when you questioned the transaction Mr. Gosser told you to keep your nose out of Colonial Hardware, is that correct?

A—Yes.

Q—Now Mr. Gray, did you always see itemized statements on all purchases from Colonial Hardware?

A—Well, I'm not too sure of that. I hope you can understand. Hundreds of items go through there an dit's no small thing. In the last year I've tried to watch it closely but like I say I'm not too positive about it. I mean as a rule they did have.

Q—Does Local 12 have a system whereby receiving sheets for purchases must go along with the voucher?

A—Not the Local itself, I don't believe it does. They talked about it—do you mean from the company or from us?

Q—From your own local, from your own union.

A—I don't quite get that.

Q—In other words let us suppose a hundred bunks are purchased for the Summer Camp and an invoice comes in to Local 12 to pay for those bunks, is that invoice paid before you as financial secretary know that those bunks have been delivered?

A—That could be possible because I wouldn't know. All I get is the bill, and pay it.

Q—Then you would pay that bill without knowing whether the items on that bill had been received or not, is that correct?

A—Well, I understand they checked them off as they came from the Farm, but all I got was those guys' word for it. I don't know. I just paid it. I mean I didn't see them personally myself.

Q—In other words checks are written and payments are made and you signed checks for those payments without your personal knowledge that the material had been received?

A—I assumed that it had been received.

Q—But you did not actually know that?

A—I don't know personally, no. I mean I just can't be in a million different places at the same time. Hell, some days I'm out of town all day altogether.

Q—Does not the Local have some system to protect itself against being defrauded by a vendor?

A—That I don't—I'm not too sure of. I mean we have had them return checks for overpayment on some of these.

Q—In other words the companies to whom the checks were issued sent them back because they were for more than the bill called for?

A—Well, there might have beena difference, yes.

Q—Do you ordinarily make an audit yourself to avoid duplicate payments?

A—Under the instruction I have and with all my duties it's just impossible for me to do that.

Q—Do you recall of ever having received a check back from Colonial Hardware for any duplicate payment?

A—Not that I can recall. I mean it could have happened, but off hand I wouldn't just recall it.

Q—Did you ever receive any refund from Colonial Hardware for any overcharge?

A—I got—well, I didn't get a check, I got a memo.

Q—By 'memo" do you refer to a credit memorandum.

A—That's right.

Q—Do you recall what that credit memo was for?

A—Oh, if I'm not mistaken I think it was for some hats.

Q—Some hats which were purchased from Colonial Hardware?

A—Yes.

Q—What kind of hats?

A—Paper hats.

Q—Paper hats?

A—I believe it was that, or something of that order. I mean hats or sticks or something like that.

—Now, have all expenditures made for the Farms and the Farms and the Summer Camp by Local 12, been audited?

A—I don't know what you mean by "audited." Do you mean by an auditor, or what?

Q—By an auditor.

A—I would assume the fellows from Detroit who made the audit, would know.

Q—But you don't know whether they made such an audit, or not?

A—Well, they are clear down to 1949.

Q—Are you referring now to the men from Detroit who were here up to last week?

A—No, others from Detroit. They've been here since November.

Q—Do you mean auditors have been there since November?

A—Yes.

Q—Are they still working there?

A—To my knowledge they are, but I haven't seem them for a day or two.

Q—Within your recollection have they gone into the items of purchases and all items of that nature?

A—Yes. To the best of my knowledge they have.

Q—These are all auditors from Mr. Mazey's office in Detroit?

A—That's right.

Q—Have you ever been asked to sign any blank checks.

A—Well, I was sent a note that I should sign a blank one, and that I could fill it in afterward.

Q—Who sent you that note?

A—Gosser.

Q—Mr. Goser sent you a note ordering you to sign a blank check which would be filled out afterward?

A—Well, do the three of us I think it was, Mr. Seren and Mr. Meyers and myself. I know I got a copy of it. That's all I know about it. I don't remember so much about the wording.

Q—You did not comply with that order, did you?

A—No. I did not comply with it?

Q—Had you refused to sign other blank checks?

A—I just haven't done it.

Q—Do you know whether Mr. Seren or Mr. Meyers have signed any blank checks which were to be filled out afterward?

A—I don't know that.

Q—So that you wouldn't know then, whether in fact they did sign any such checks?

A—Not to my knowledge — I mean as far as I could say generally, and so forth.

Q—You never have signed any blank checks?

MR. STEINBERG: Objection. I think he has answered that.

—Well, I might have signed a few, based on my being gone and wouldn't have the time to make them out, and so forth. I have done that — occasionally I mean, but very seldom.

(NOTE: As a matter of fascinating fact, Gray was not going to sign the pay checks for the girls in the dues office — the ones who quit in his support—on the day he gave this testimony. Not until a delegation cornered him with the checks did he finally sign them, grudgingly, so the girls could get their money.)

Q—Now within your knowledge, Mr. Gray, were any of the many items purchased for the Summer Camp or the Farms ever sent to the Will-O-Land Sportsmen's Club?

A—That I wouldn't know because I'm not up there.

....Q—Did anyone ever tell you that that condition existed?

A—Outside of just that I had heard rumors of stuff being borrowed, is all.

Q—Were those rumors from people who should know?

A—I mean that's all I know about it from people who were at the Camp. I don't go up there myself.

Q—People who were at the camp advised you that material purchased for the Camp was being sent to Will-O-Land?

A—No, not that they sent it; they might have borrowed something. It's posible that they borrowed something, but they should have returned it.

Q—Within your knowledge what was borrowed by Will-O-Land?

A—Well, at one time I think a fellow by the name of Malik said omething about a boat. It hapened in the last two or three years. I don't know much about that. I haven't been up there.

(NOTE: The Blade's story on Tuesday, based on this testimony, read: "The witness said he had heard rumors that equipment designated for the Summer Camp had been 'borrowed' for the Will-O-Land Club hunting preserve northwest of Clare." Where Gray said this isn't clear from the court record — but that's the way the Blade plays these stories.)

MR. GOERLICH: Move the anwser be stricken as to the boat inasmuch as his answer was based on hearsay.

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Unit Secretary

SPARKLETS
CHAMPION UNIT

Union Office

Due to the limited space in the Journal, there will be times when all the Champion Sparklets cannot be printed. An effort will be made to condense the news as much as possible but if we should not print an item you believe is important, it is not because the reporter has failed you. Other shops would like to have their news in the paper and at times we have taken so much space theirs had to be left out. I would like to thank the members for their interest in the Sparklets and the reporters for the nice job of reporting and I hope the interest in the Sparklets continues throughout the year. RHY.

Colonel Tarver
Dept. E, 1st Shift

Orlin Burgess, our genial setup man celebrated his birthday, May 9th and the way he evaded any reference to the year of his birth would make you believe that he is past middle-age, he isn't! Congratulations, Orlin.

Herbert Jennings, better known as "Hoib", is back at work after a period of illness. Upon being approached, he smiled his most ingratiating smile, and said, please tell all my friends that I deeply appreciated the many things they did for me while I was off work. I am especially grateful for the generous collection they took up for me.

Margaret Walker, silliment lines, has been disabled by making an unexpected contact with some unfriendly type of poison ivy. (Didn't know there was a friendly type, except that it all attempts to stick to you. RHY). Your friends say that you have the skin, "you love to touch," but in the future, please beware of what you touch. Be seeing you soon, Margaret.

Robert Vorhees birthdayed on May 11th. He got a box of candy and a shirt and numerous other gifts from the Stud line operators. One card said, "You received, today, gifts galore because you're a hansome man of 24". Congratulations, Bob.

Bernice Sellers became the proud mother of a wonderful baby boy at the Toledo hospital on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14th. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sellers. (Aside to Bernee: It's too bad you lost your bet to Norma, believing the future Seller's heir would be a girl. Better luck next time. WHT).

Jim Vinson, Dept. D
2nd Shift

After having her back rubbed by an expert, Wednesday night, Marge Hetsler turned up ill the following day. Draw your own conclusions, could it be measles, Marge?

The friends of Joan Doman, and she has many, regret to learn that he will soon undergo an operation for goiter. We sincerely hope you will recover speedily, Joan, and that you will be greatly improved in health.

Bob McDonald, handsome gap-setter from "down" in Dixie, had a birthday sans cake, May 9th.

Irene Mylak, also, was a year older on May 8th, but didn't mind it because she's got her man. Bud gave her a beautiful necklace. (Cake with this one, JV).

Carol, the seven year old daughter of Eddie Blum, was struck by an auto near her home in the 1400 block on Ontario St. on Thursday, May 11th. She received a big gash over one eye and a painful shoulder injury. We hope Carol pulls through speedily.

A bridal shower for Milly King, who will marry Bob Stachowiak early in June, was given May 11th. More than eighty persons were present. An old-fashioned rolling pin with directions as to its proper use in the even Robert got out of line, was one of the interesting gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Rybarczyk have a baby son, David John, born on May 5th. Rita's friends send congratulations.

Emma Grove collapsed at work, Friday night, and had to be taken home. We trust that this is only a temporary ailment.

A group of women treated Harriet Szkatulski and Edna Smith to ice cream and cake in a farewell jesture as these ladies transferred to the day shift.

Metz Strahm had been slyly helping himself to the hard-boiled eggs from the lunch of his friend, Cliff Patton. Cliff decided to discourage this practice, and one day brought fresh eggs. Metz got hold of an egg, ignorant of its condition, intending to expose himself as the real culprit, said, "here's where your eggs have been going," and with this broke the egg on Cliff's head. Cliff got an "egg shampoo" and had to borrow a shirt to wear home. Another version of the "Egg and I."

English Borglin
Dept D 1st Shift

It was very profitable for Mabelle Reiter to attend the last Unit meeitng, because after the said meeting she went down to the bar-room and bowled the high score for the ladies on the machine. She won a case of beer.

We were all very pleased to see Helen Kozlowski return to work last Monday after several months at home recuperating from an operation.

Rose Stritt celebrated her birthday on May 8th. She was giving out cookies and candy very generously. Many more such days, Rose.

Rose Snyder birthdayed on May 9th. We wish you many more, Rose.

Eugene "Sailor" Lewandowski was happily married on May 6th and I hear that when he returns from his honeymoon, he is going to St. Vincent's hospital for surgery. More details, later.

Some people go to horse races and lose their shirts, but Nellie Kisseberth won $35 on the Kentucky Derby. Her picture was taken by a press photographer as she collected her winnings from the Bookie. She is very proud of this picture, and who wouldn't be?

Some time ago, Beulah McGillvary donated blood to Josephine Blochowski, then Josie improved steadily and as I said two weeks ago. Josephine returned to work and last week, Beulah was the happiest girl in our department when Josie bought her a lovely blouse as a token of appreciation. Very, very noble of both of you girls.

Leonard Cuber, Time Clerk for our department, is in the hospital at this time. We certainly hope he improves rapidly and is able to return to work soon.

Pretty happy-go-lucky Jean Meek had the misfortune of getting her index finger caught in a punch press on May 10th. It practically severed the end of her finger but the doctor did manage to do a good job of stitching and we all hope it will be all right in the end.

Two years ago, Siverine "Dottie" Jones promised your reporter an apple pie. Last Friday she brought it into the shop but when Ralph Young, John Grup, Vern Montague, Cliff Keill saw that lovely pie, all that was left for me was one small cut. I do know it was delicious and the other guys thought so too. Thanks again, Dottie. Now I know why your husband, Clem, always looks quite robust and contende.d

Sorry to hear that Helen Will is back in Toledo hospital and that Catherine Grote is in St. Vincent's hospital. Speedy recovery, girls.

Don't forget ,folks, let your reporters know of any birthdays, blessed events, anniversaries and of members in the hopital or at home sick. The latter, we would like to omit, but that, we have no control over. Good health and luck is wished for the members.

Last minute news. What young lady was riding with her boy friend last Sunday afternoon and during the ride they were stopped at a railroad crossing by a train and this young lady had to sneeze and she lost her pearly whites along the roadside? Choppers — retrieved—no damage done. Just embarassed.

Good bye now, see you next week.

We wish to send good wishes to Alice Kachelek, Dept. "E" 1st, shift; who has been with us some 22 years.

Alice, found she had a very inflammed appendix when she visited her physician, late Wednesday afternoon and was rushed to Riverside Hospital immediately for an appendectomy.

"Alice, is one person whom I've never heard say an unkind word about any one, so let us cheer her by sending Get Well cards."

"Alice"

Strange; we never miss the water
Until the well runs dry,
'Nor do we value friendship
'Til we're forced to say Goodbye.
We never realize your worth
'Til there's a vacant chair,
We took you just for granted
While we could see you there.

But now the scene is different
Our hearts are grieved and sad,
We pray we might have spared you
From the intense pain you've had.
But since we can't; we'll offer
Our heart felt sympathy;
'Til the day you occupy your chair
And there is no vacancy.

Bishop Declares Right To Organize 'Comes From God'

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. (LPA) — "The right to organize comes from Almighty God himself, who placed it in the heart, soul and mind of every working man and woman." So declared Bishop Francis J. Haas to a labor audience here. "All too often," he added, "the right has to be extorted from an employer." He said the Taft-Hartley act is "a tyrannous usurpation of a worker's God-given rights."

Local 12 Camera Club News

Well here we are back to local 12 camera club, after taking pictures of the boxing matches at the Sports Arena.

Bill Osenbaugh almost had his camera stepped on when one of the boxers slipped near the ropes, where Bill was ready to take a flash shot.

Our plans for future meetings on subjects such as movies on photography, lighting, the art of balancing and placing spots, and other items will be discussed at our regular meeting May 19, at 8 p.m. Room 211, see you all next Friday.

Your camera bugs
Arnold Shenofsky
Glen Aufdenkampe

Greetings From Ayling and Reichert

You hear the song on the radio 'Sunshine Cake"? Well, Goldie Bladel, sure knows the ingredients for one 'cause she brought a cake the other day and it sure was good — right everyone?

Things I observed . . . Mary Baker takes her glove off when weighing herself. Don King takes his wallet out of his pocket too. Bertha Carsten thought she was losing weight until they oiled the scales the other day.

Say, Millie Gleason, when are you going to bring the redhead in? You know you've brought a blonde and a brunette so we're waiting for the redhead.

I've discovered that Denny Schelker isn't a "chip off the old block" the other morning. When he came in Alice Arquette asked him Where he got so sunburned and he very casually said "Out in the sun." See what I mean — pretty sharp.

Would like to welcome back Vera Sloane and Alice Arquette. Sure good to see you back. Anne Joyce is back also. Take it easy and don't go missing steps again.

Saw Bea Glavin with a small tree the other day and when I inquired what it was for was told it was going on her farm, how about some more, eh, Hannah?

If Clara Peth ever brings any bouquets or corsages be sure you examine them very closely. I got one the other day with onion stems in it but then the next couple of days I got a beautiful one that made up for the onion stems.

Oh, yes, I would like to say welcome home again to Mr. M. Theirwetter after a vacation in Florida. That coat of tan sure is grand. How about installing some sun lamps so we can all get a nice coat of tan. Anyway it sure is good to see you back again, M. T.

A belated "Mother's Day" greeting to all you Moms.

See you next week.

PAC Pipeline

IN CANADA the Red river has gone on a rampage. Perhaps Senator McCarthy (R., Wis.- can be loaned to our neighbor for an indefinite period to take care of the matter.

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Victor Johnson, a Republican National Committee official, is following President Truman around in a chartered airplane. He wants to be handy with a wet blanket in case any prairie fires are started.

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Rep. George Smathers (D., Fla.) is having a hard time convincing the Republican National Committee they shouldn't be gleeful over his defeat of Sen. Claude Pepper (D., Fla.). The Republicans feel they know a Republican when they see one.

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A University of Virginia scientist says men's brains developed as a result of standing erect. On the other hand that posture has given them fallen arches, varicose veins and possibly sinus and heart trouble. Possibly a coming development is the half-stoop.

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Reaction's Florida formula has now moved to North Carolina, Oregon and Utah. According to which state you live in, Senator Graham, Morse or Thomas is the "outstanding Communist sympathizer in the United States Senate."

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According to Sen. Kem (R., Mo.), the United States is only 9% from socialism. It's also only 218 days until Xmas.

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Comes now the Republican state committee of New Jersey with a 28 word platform. They're striving for the ideal —saying nothing.

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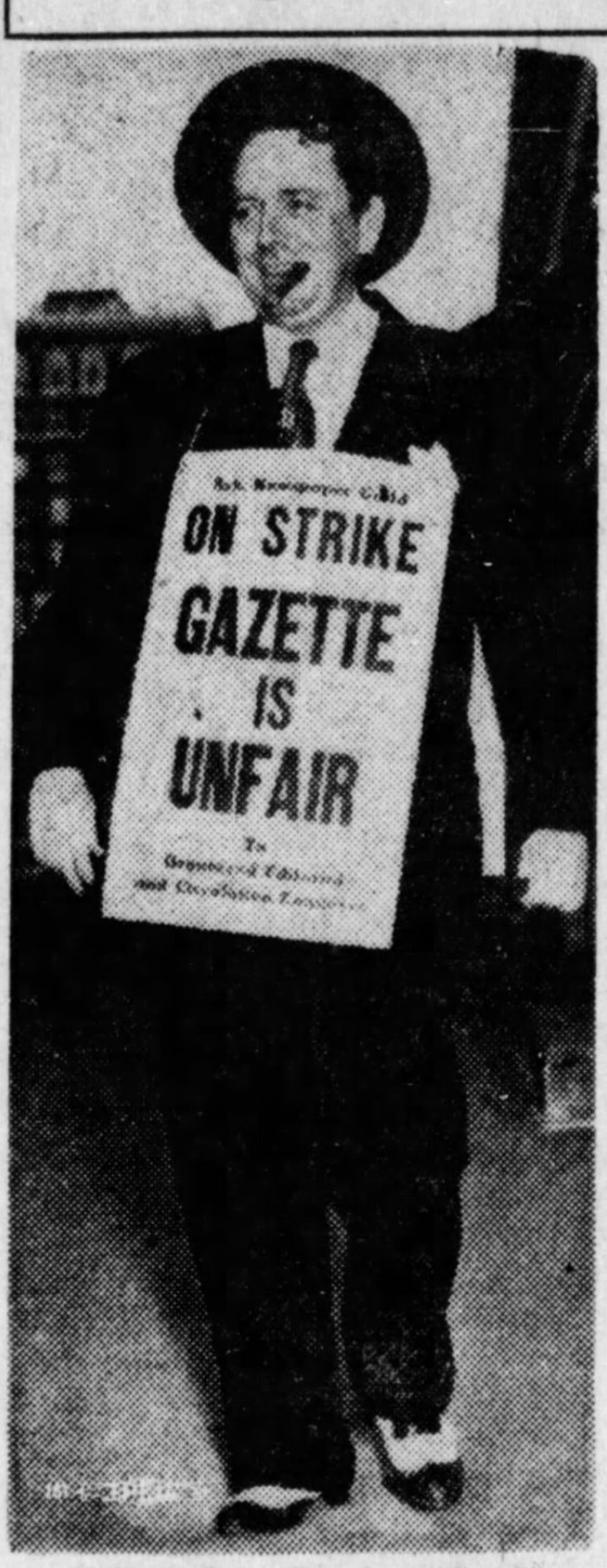

Columnist Hardy (Spider) Rowland pickets the offices of the Arkansas Gazette in Little Rock where Local 209 of American Newspaper Guild-CIO has been on strike for 146 days now (May 11). Spider's humor helps make things bearable around strike headquarters where the Guildsmen are making the long grim fight for the life of their union. (LPA)

National *Supply Unit News*

By **DEAK and DOCK**

Why does the self appointed inspector Hargett, Dept. 53, brag to the boys how he tells supervision off, when all he needs is a pat on the back to tell them anything they want to know.

Happy birthday to Dutch Schleibner, who on May 19 will will observe his ? birthday.

Another sure sign of spring, Leo Wernert, Dept. 34, shed his long red flannels last week.

You certainly couldn't call that gesture of the Co., an offer, sounds more like an invitation to go on a strike.

Have you bought any horses lately, Harold (Red) McVicker? We get it Red bought two fine steeds, with hopes of entering them in the Kentucky Derby, but all they would tell Red was, "those horses were born thirty years too soon."

Have any of you seen the engineer's playhouse in Dept. 18? Well, it's a joy to behold, isn't it Dewey?

With all the new cars in the parking lot you would think it was a show-room. Notice that red Jeepster that's Deke Denman's.

Who is the guy in the assembly that chews bubble gum, and blows bubbles while he works.

The assembly used to be good for some news each week, but lately they don't give us much. What's the matter boys, someone put the squeeze on you?

How come the foundry hasn't some news once in a while, don't anything ever happen there?

We have a few guys in Dept. 104 who don't act like gentlemen at quitting time and don't like to live up to that long standing first come, first served.

Can't figure out what the matter with Doc of Deak & Doc. Haven't seen him all week, better have a good story.

What's the saddest moment of our lives men, when we ask our wives what she is going to have for supper and she replies, "My Family."

Guess there will always be an England, any way we have an English gent roaming around Dept. 52, learning how to make tool joints. Of course, he has Larry "Caboose" Burgoon as his guide. Maybe the Co. will send Sullivan across the pond. Man, will that be a "RELIEF."

Why does a race track remind us of a hospital. Because you always see so many sick people.

Definition of a teen-age, is when the girl begins to powedr and the boy begins to puff.

Baseball question: It's the last of the ninth, score is tied, bases loaded with two out, next man hits a home run and a man scores. Why?

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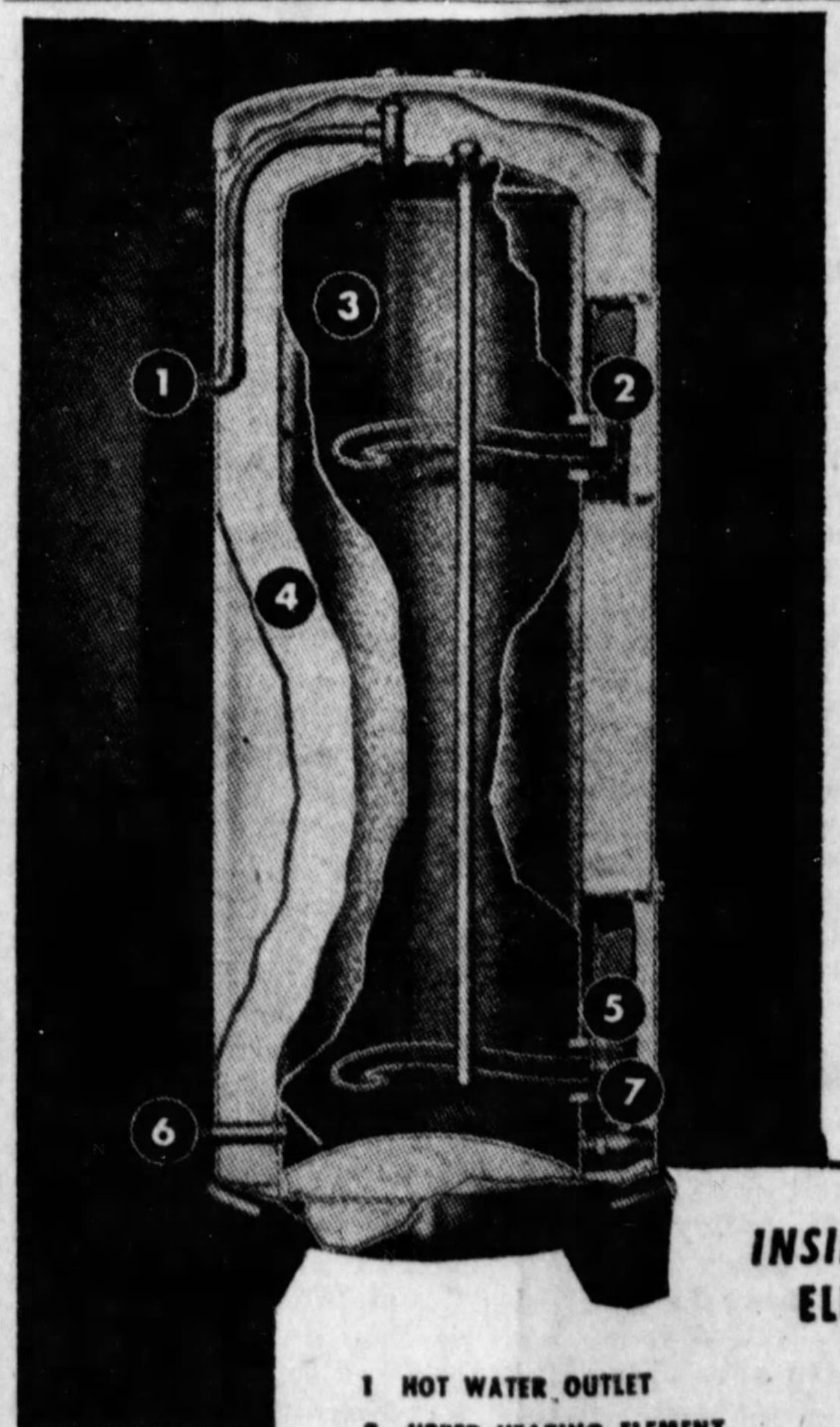

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Local Baseball Team Seeking More Players

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Tryouts are still welcome for the Local 12 UAW-CIO baseball team, it was announced by Bill Borden and Carl Damico, co-managers.

The team is entered in the City Federation and with the exception of a few spots the managers expect to field a team regarded to be high in the standings.

The local's have three brother combinations all well known as ball players. Lined up for first and third base are the Pinciotti brother, Frank and Gabe. Performing pitcher and outfielder duties are Bill and Herb Wegman and in the same positions there are Seymour and Herman Kander.

Other notables to strengthen this season's UAW team are Art Kubacki, former Old Dutch outfielder; Bud Miller who played with Williston last year and Art Allison well known as Golden Gloves Boxing champ.

Returning from last season's team are Pete Severhoff, flashy second baseman and Bob Michalski a left handed flinger.

Practice sessions are being held every Friday at Willys Park diamond No. 1 at 5:30 p.m. The Local co-managers are endeavoring to have the team at top trength by the time the opening game rolls around in the Federation.

Barney Ewell

Barney Ewell runner-up in the 1948 Olympic sprints to Harrison Dillard and Mel Patton, whipped Australian opposition in a so-called "World" professional sprint championship series at Melbourne, Australia recently. Ewell won all four of the championship series events in easy fashion. The events and times were: 75 yards, 7.4 seconds; 100 yards, 9.6 seconds; 130 yards, 12.2 seconds and 220 yards, 21.2 seconds.

IN THIS CORNER

with E. C. "RED" MAC DONALD

SAMMY STAURT grinned from ear to ear as he stepped from the Sports Arena ring last Friday night.

"Boy that kid has gotta lot of class," quipped one ringside observer, "where'd they get him?"

Remarks such as these, applause from the crowd of some 3,500 and the fact that he had just won his fight, were responsible for Sammy's happiness.

But just to report that Sammy won his fight is not sufficient. What is more important is that he was making his first ring appearance and was matched against a seasoned amateur veteran of more than 20 bout.

It was against those odds that Sammy, newest member of the Local 12 boxing team, registered his victory.

The 160-pounder looked exceptionally good in scoring a 3-round triumph over George Parkinson of Detroit to give the Toledo boys one of their seven victories in the United Labor Committee's show.

HE WAS one of four of the Local 12 boxers who won. The others were Ray and Syd Ulis, and Lewis Thomas. Youthful Art Tillis was the only Local 12 boys to lose, and he was a little over matched.

Ray Ulis and Detroit's Lou Garza gave the fans more than there money's worth in action. Ulis, smooth-moving lightweight sewed up the fight in the final round when his right cross found the mark and sent Garza spinning across the ring like a top.

Older brother Syd defeated John Dean, Detroit Golden Gloves champion, and Thomas turned back Bill Henderson of Monroe. Both Local 12 fighters had things their own way most of the time.

TWO FORMER LIBBEY High School stars, Bob Snyder and Warren Schmackel, will battle each other tomorrow night in the Glass Bowl with their repective football teams.

Although they never played on the same Cowboy team, both men were coached by Chip Houser who led the Western Avenue school to several city championships before retiring to teaching duties in 1939.

Now Snyder is head man at the University of Toledo and Schmackle has returned to his alma mater, Central Michigan, as coach.

Tomorrow night's game should prove interesting. It will be the opening venture for both coaches and each is anxious to make it a good one.

This is the seventy-fifth season for the National League. It was organize don February 2, 1876

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CUT DOWN DATE: At midnight, May 17th ,all clubs must reduce their rosters. From this date until September 1, each club is limited to a maximum of twenty-five (25) players on its active list.

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Ty Cobb, one of baseball's all-time greats and generally considered one of the best baserunners baseball has ever produced, often attached lead weights to his street shoes for an hour or so before game time in the conviction that the change to his light baseball shoes gave him added speeed on the base paths.

Local 12 Softball Season Open May 23 At CYO Field

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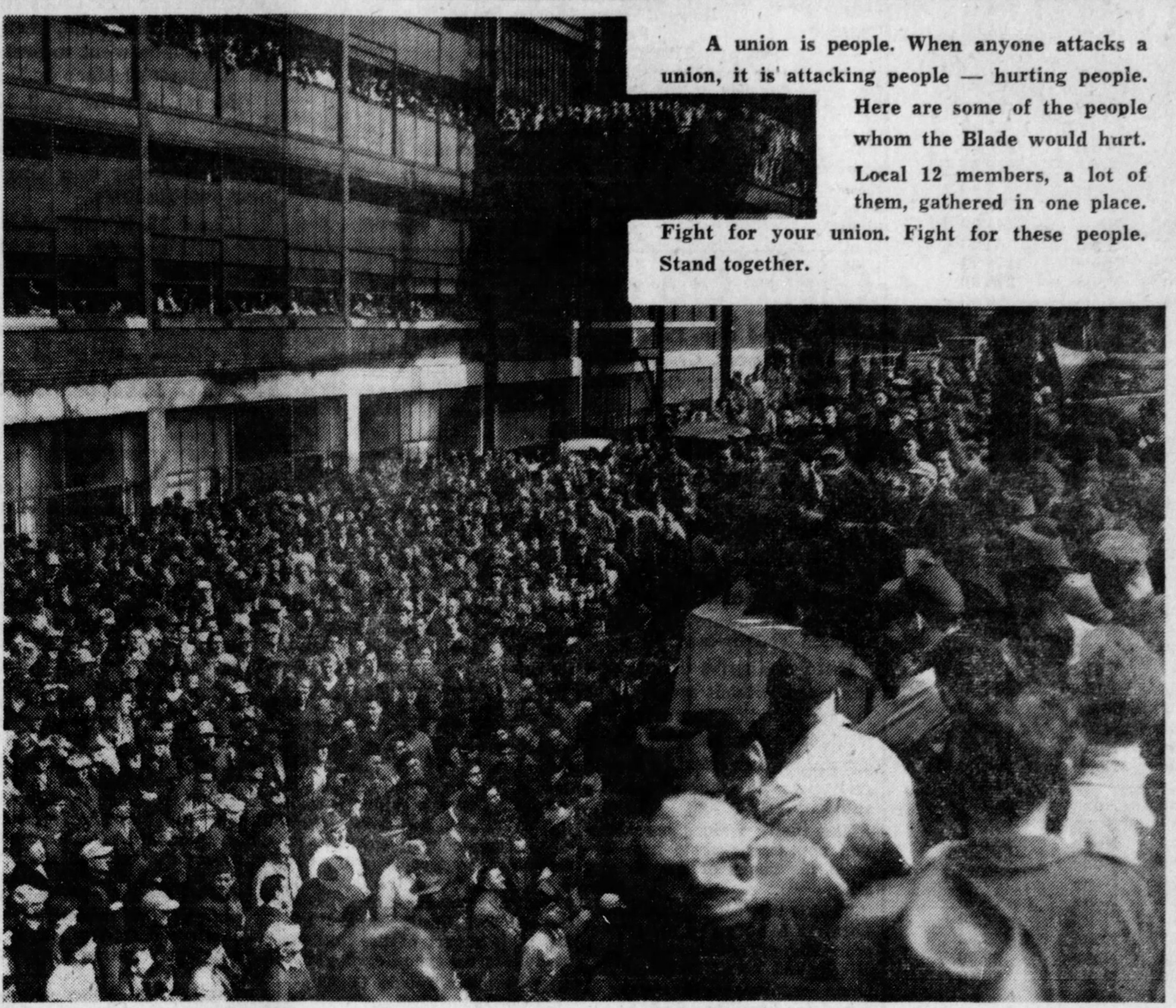

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14 Teams To Vie For UAW Championship

All Games At 6:30 P.M. Both Leagues To See Action Again Thursday

The Local 12 softball season will be inaugurated next week when 14 teams will see action. Seven teams representing as many shops comprise the National league and 8 teams will make up the American circuit.

The opening game Tuesday will have Schultz Die Casting meeting Auto-Lite; Local 12 engages Willys Overland and Doehler Jarvis tangles with Toledo Scale. Spicer drew a bye.

The American league will have Acklin Stamping colliding with American Brake Shoe; Lakeside Biscuit meeting Industrial Heat Treat; Plaskon vs. Colonial Hardware and National Supply facing Peerless Plastic.

All games will be played Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. at CIO Field located on the corner of Parkside Blvd. and Bancroft Street.

Schedule calls for two games a week at the same time and same fields. Playing Thursday the American league will have Acklin vs. Lakeside Biscuit; American Brake Shoe vs. Industrial Heat Treat; Plaskon vs. National Supply and Colonial Hardware vs. Peerless Plastic.

In the National league Schultz Die Casting vs. Local 22; Auto-Lite vs. Doehler Jarvis and Willys Overland vs Spicer. Toledo Scale drew a bye.

Scotty Irvine will again serve as league manager.

LEAGUE TELEPHONE: League office number is Columbus 5-6244; Service Bureau, Circle 7-2292.

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UMPIRE STAFF: Newest addition is Augie Donatelli, last year in International League. Other members of staff are Bill Stewart, Babe Pinelli, Larry Goetz, Lee Balanfant, Al Barlick, Lou Jorda, Jocko Conlan, Duty Bogess, Art Gore, Scotty Robb, Frank Dascoli, and Lon Warneke.

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TRADES: On June 15th, deadline for trades goes into effect. After this date until end of season, clubs, however, can obtain players from other clubs within the league by the waiver route.

Baseball Briefs

President Clark Griffith of the Washington Nationals attended 2,157 straight games played by his club in its home layout, Griffith Stadium, before a severe cold kept him away from the night game of April 24, when Washington shut out the Boston Red Sox, 3-0.

Floyd Baker, the Chicago White Sox fancy fielding but light hitting third sacker, long will remember the fence the White Sox installed for only a few games early in the 1949 season. Baker collected a homer May 4 against Washington a few days before the fence was removed—the circuit clout being his only round tripper in seven seasons in the American League.

TIME LIMITS: In Philadelphia, play on Sunday must cease at 6:59 EXISTING TIME.

LIFETIME PITCHING RECORDS: National League lifetime records can be found on pages 54 and 55 of the 1950 edition of the Green Book.

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NIGHT GAMES: The rule placing a "curfew" on night games has been rescinded. Night games will be played to their conclusion regardless of time EXCEPT Saturday night games in New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Boston. Because of Sunday laws in these cities any games scheduled for Saturday night must be called at 11:59, EXISTING TIME.

RAIN: When an umpire halts a game because of rain, he must wait at least thirty (30) minutes befor ehe can definitely call off the game. The umpire, however, can resume play any time there is a let-up in the rain and the field is fit to play on.

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PARK ATTENDANCES: Information on capacity of parks, record attendances for each club can be found on page 40 of the 1950 edition of the Green Book.

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Local 106	12.58	None	12.58
Local 110	50.00	None	50.00
Local 128	150.00	None	150.00
Local 211	50.00	None	50.00
Local 446	12.00	None	12.00
Local 493	131.31	None	131.31
Local 497	37.64	None	37.64
Local 533	57.84	None	57.84
Local 617	100.00	None	100.00
Local 619	6.42	None	6.42
Local 638	50.00	None	50.00
Local 643	100.00	None	100.00
Local 711	337.65	None	337.65
Local 775	50.00	None	50.00
Local 827	187.52	None	187.52
Local 913	20.00	None	20.00
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Income Week Ending 5/13/50 .... $1,280.48
Previous Total $49,824.84
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Direct Relief, Fuel, Groceries, Gas Coupons, Loans, Insurance Premiums, etc. $1,818.60
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Total Expenditures To Date $83,725.50
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Girls Go

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And so it went. Gray created conditions the girls didn't like, in spite of all the officers could do to correct these conditions, and then the girls walked off the job, leaving the dues office unattended, in support of Gray and in protest against the officers.

They were all members of the Miscellaneous unit of Local 12, and were all aware of the constitution and by-laws.

If it was a strike they intended, it was without even seeking the authorization any other unit would expect to seek, and without making any effort to present grievances to the responsible authority.

The really serious consideration appears never to have entered the heads of the girls at all.

That is the fact that their own Local 12 is under an almost unprecedentedly vicious newspaper attack; and that a strike among union employees is always a signal for headlines.

Few believe that the girls really wanted to make anti-union newspaper copy for Paul Block, Jr. And yet to have chosen that time to take that action showed an utter disregard of the welfare of a union which was established to protect tens of thousands of other working people.

As the days passed, the so-called "strike committee" of this group seemed to be reporting directly to the Blade. They even posed happily for pictures in the newspaper which is attacking their organization.

It is unlikely that this demonstration will achieve any great popularity for the girls among those who know what a union is, and who have contributed something to it.

Court Voids Michigan Law Curbing Strikes

WASHINGTON (LPA)—The United Auto Workers-CIO have won their fight against Michigan's Bonine-Trippe law, which forbids a strike unless a majority of the employes involved vote for the strike. The U. S. Supreme Court unanimously voided the law May 8 on the grounds that it is in conflict with the Taft-Hartley Act.

During a 1948 strike at Chrysler the UAW-CIO got an injunction from a Detroit court against enforcement of the law. The Michigan Supreme Court reversed the ruling, and the union appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The union in its brief had pointed out that Congress, in enacting the Taft-Hartley act, had shown it meant to "occupy this field by enacting detailed, specific provisions regulating strikes in industries affecting interstate commerce. Even in the case of a threatened national emergency, Congress was unwilling to prohibit a strike which failed to receive the approval of a majority of the employes in a government poll."

The Co-Op Corner

Why are we now hearing so much about the Co-Op in Toledo?

In 1947 the Council for Cooperative Development, a national organization of key labor and co-op groups, was formed to extend the Co-Op idea to where it is needed most, the city. Because of the high interest of local unions, Eastern Michigan was picked as the test area and pilot project to prove that city people could put the Co-Op idea to work successfully. Toledo is in this area.

What's the idea behind the Toledo Co-Op?

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How do the people control the Co-Op?

An Annual Meeting of all members is held once a year. At this meeting they decide policy for the coming year and among themselves elect a Board of Directors. Any member has the right to nominate and run for office. It is then the responsibility of the elected Board of Directors, to see that the Co-Op is managed in the peoples' interest.

How is the Co-Op business managed?

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Anti-Union Forces

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And the meat of it was in the questions Ells asked, even when Gray's answer was some form of "I don't know."

When Gray's contribution to the campaign against Gosser had been indelibly inscribed in Toledo's sorry record, the next developments cropped up rapidly.

Lazette threatened Reuther, the seventeen self-styled spokesmen for four shops endorsed Gray's utterances, which had not, at that time, been transcribed or made available, and the Blade went to press with its black headlines about the "Dictatorial Machine."

Meanwhile the Emil Mazey committee was preparing to make its report on the AWBC books, for which none of these hasty hearts was willing to wait; and the auditors who have been going over Gray's books were putting together their own findings.

Local 12 is expected to be under severe attack from now until its enemies are identified and routed.

But the patience and tolerance of those who have been smeared is at an end. They — and Local 12 — will fight.

More Mine Smelters Workers Favor UAW-CIO Die Casters

Vice-President Richard Gosser, who is also Director of the Die Casting Department of the UAW-CIO, announces that the Stewart Die Casting workers at Bridgeport, Conn. have signed up with the UAW-CIO Die Casting Department and have announced their intention of seceding from the Mine Mill and Smelter Workers. The National Labor Relations Board had set Friday April 28th as the date of election. Prior to the Labor Board hearing, national officers of Mine Mill removed the local union officers of the Stewart Die Casting Plant and appointed Irving Dichter as administrator of the affairs of the local union. The hearing officers of the NLRB told Dichter at the hearing, that he could not intervene in the election unless he personally, as administrator of the local union, put himself in compliance with the Taft-Hartley Act by signing the non-communist affidavits and signing the other information required under the Act.

To date Dichter has not complied.

A petition for an NLRB election has been filed with the NLRB on behalf of the members of another Mine Mill local, the Aluminum Magnesium Plant in Sandusky, Ohio. Application cards for membership in the UAW-CIO containing the names of over 95% of the employees of the Aluminum Magnesium Company were filed with the NLRB.

A hearing before the NLRB on the petition of the Die Casting Department of the UAW-CIO filed for workers of the Los Angeles Die Casting Company, Los Angeles, California, will be held on Friday, June 28th. The majority of the Los Angeles Die Cast workers have indicated their desire to disaffiliate from Mine Mill. Mine Mill is desperately trying to rush through negotiations in Southern California and signed two year agreements with employers so as to head off the revolt of the rank and file against the policies of the Mine Mill officers which have resulted in the expulsion of Mine Mill from CIO.

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Danger Signal

A dramatic and highly revealing way of describing the plight of the farmer has been released by the People's Lobby, a Washington agency.

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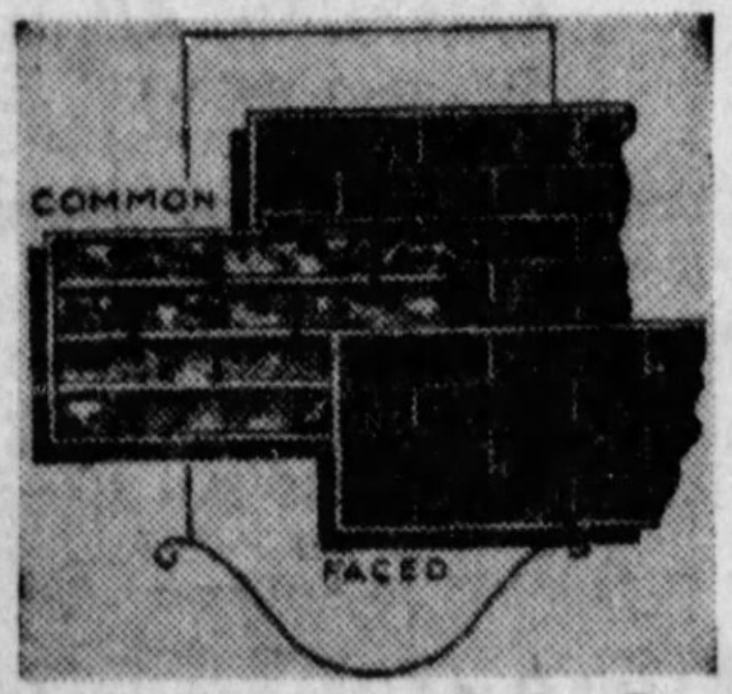

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TMT Management Continues To Stall On Negotiating

Management of Toledo Machine & Tool Division of the E. W. Bliss Co. are still practising stalling tactics by agreeing to meet with the union committee on May 17 and then having the session postponed to June 2.

Last week the TMT which recently seceded from Local 14, to charter their own Local 3[illegible] UAW-CIO, called a meeting to consider a strike vote. This prompted management to set the tentative date for May 17 but promptly made an about face.

Walter Klatt, chairman of the new chartered Local and Jerry Biddle, International Representative on Charles Ballard's Region 2-B UAW-CIO staff, said the contract itself is nearly cleared but have difficulty to have management meet to discuss Pensions and a Health and Welfare program.

In reporting on the negotiations for the office workers of TMT who still are affiliated with Local 14 Jerry Biddle said that the group was to meet with management on Friday, May 18. Meetings were held at intervals since November when the office workers voted for a union shop.

The company, apparently disturbed, because the office workers voted to have a union have sought to cut wages. The management proposal was rejected by the office workers at a meeting on May 8.

Irish Club Party May 27

Public Invited To Annual Spring Event

The Irish Benevolent Club will have the annual spring dance on Saturday, May 27 at 8 p.m. at the Catholic Club, 16th Street and Jefferson Avenue.

James Cassidy and Bernard Casey are co-chairmen of the event which is open to the public.

Other members on committees are Thomas Horgan, Charles Fackelman, Patrick Traynor, Thomas Moran and Patrick Kelly in charge of refreshments.

Entertainment co-chairmen are Dennis Sullivan and Peter Reilly. Reception committee are Thomas McNeil, John Moran and Dan Lyons.

At the door will be Ray Fackelman, Dermot Okeefe, Maurice Buckley and John Sullivan.

Ed Kelly, Thomas Mackin and Ed Keavney in charge of publicity. Michael Hobany is president of this organization.

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